



The Friday Note

Week 27 - Friday 4th April 2025

Lent 2025:

A huge thank you to everyone for your incredible support of our Trócaire fundraising efforts! Over the past few weeks, students have been involved in activities like penalty shoot-outs, ice cream sales, raffles, and teddy bear sales—all in aid of this important cause.

The highlight of our fundraising will be next Friday's Talent Show, where our talented students will take the stage to entertain us while raising funds for Trócaire. We can't wait to see the amazing performances!

Your generosity and enthusiasm make a real difference for those families in need, thank you all for your support 😊

School Money System: Following on from the technical issues that parents experienced over the weekend, we are asking parents to ensure they log on and pay any outstanding payment for dinners/breakfast club/homework club that the school office made on your behalf. Many thanks.

Homework Club: Session 3-4 & 2-4 is now fully booked for next week 07/04/2025

Exiting the School Site: we remind parents of the '**no right turn**' on exiting the school site (as per the DFI signs at the exit). This is causing huge traffic delays at drop off and pick up times and will cause an accident. All traffic has to turn left and then turn at the roundabout to head Lisburn bound.

Dates for your diary:

Easter Holidays: School finishes at 12noon Holy Thursday 17th April and reopens on Monday 28th April.

First Holy Communion: Sunday 11th May at 12noon mass & Sunday 18th May at 12noon mass.

Afterschool Clubs/Activities

<u>Day</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Pick up point</u>
Monday:	MR Sports – Gymnastics Joyful Journeys : 2-3pm	Dismissed from hall Dismissed from P2 Miss Henry's room
Tuesday	Irish Dancing MR Sports – Football MR Sports – Arts & Crafts	dismissed from Top hall dismissed from pitch dismissed from main P1 door
Wednesday	Netball MR Sports – Hurling	dismissed from hall dismissed from Pitch
Thursday	Gaelic * last training session this Thursday * Film & Animation Club *bookings for the new block of classes starting after easter will open on Friday 11 th April*	dismissed from pitch dismissed from top hall*last session in this block*



School Meals: Week beginning Monday 7th April –£2.60 daily price

Monday Fish fingers, Peas, Chips Rice Krispie Square & Orange Wedge	Tuesday Cheese Pizza, Broccoli, Potato Wedges Cola Jelly & Fruit	Wednesday Chicken Curry, Rice, Naan Bread, Sweetcorn Angel Cake & Custard	Thursday Roast Beef, Veg, Yorkshire Pudding, Mash & Roast Potatoes Ice Cream & Caramel Sauce	Friday Hot Dog, Beans, Skinny Fries Chocolate Cookie & Milkshake
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If you receive an error message, do not rebook as this will double charge you – contact the office and they will book on your behalf.

Sports Round Up

Girls Gaelic Team

What a glorious day all round for our Primary 5, 6 and 7 girls on Wednesday afternoon ☀️. The girls got settled into the first challenging match against St. Kevin's but it just wasn't to be for them. However, our girls weren't going to let this get the better of them in the next two matches. They came out against Our Lady Queen of Peace with sheer determination and drive to win, and that they did!



In their final game they played Gaelscoil na bhFál, a very close game in the first half with the girls being 2 points behind, again they drove forward in the second half to win the game. We are so proud of all the girls and the performance they gave throughout all 3 of their games! It was a real pleasure to watch our training techniques being used within these matches.

We could give player of the tournament to each girl that played today as they all showed fantastic skills, spirit and great support play but we must give a special mention to Katie Holmes, Jessica Campfield and Lily Crane for their work both on and off the ball which led to some fantastic scores.

We await confirmation as to whether or not the girls progress to the semi finals 🍀

Sports Day 2025

P1-P4 Sports Day will take place on Thursday 22nd May in St Colman's

P5-P7 Sports Shared Education Sports Day will take place on Tuesday 3rd June at the Mary Peters Track. More details to follow closer to the time.

Pupil of the Week



Acorn Class Ms Hannaway	Tulisa Mongan	
P1 Mrs Hanna	Matthew McCarthy	Maggie White
P1 Miss Donnelly	Ella Conlon	Coran McGlinchy
P2 Mrs Phoenix	Seth Henning	Daniel Woods
P2 Mrs Henry	Carter McCory	Michael Graham
P3 Mrs McDonnell	Ava Thomas	Conaire Flynn
P3 Mrs Casey	Orla Devlin	James Kavanagh
Mrs Toland	Maria Sousa	Tony Fitpatrick & Temi
	Machado	Banmeke
P4 Mr Kernan	Rory McGrath	Grace Colgan
P4 Mrs Monaghan	Fiadh McCarthy	Rory Boden
P5 Miss Cunningham	Rose Doherty	Eva Lee
P5 Miss McGinn	Orah Long	Amelia McGreevy
P6 Mrs Tandy	Lucas McCartney	Rosie Nugent
P6 Mrs McGrath	Isla Middlesworth	Jack Sharrock
P7 Mr Deery	Amelia Fay	Eva-Rose McAuley
P7 Mr McCaffery	Tom Rice	Rosa McGoran
Mr Mc Cambridge	Marissa Maughan	Niall Phillips



Principal's Award this week goes to.....

Miss Irvine, Miss Monaghan and Miss Kerr – our fantastic St Mary's students who have been a joy to have in school and will make wonderful teachers!

**Also....Eva - Rose McCabe P4, Temi Banmeke P4, Peter Rush P2, & Dara Duggan P6
Well done everyone!!!!**

And Finally.....

As the week draws to a close, there's a real sense of energy and joy across St Colman's. With the sun making a welcome appearance, our school has been alive with activity, both inside and out. The brighter weather has allowed our children to spend more time outdoors, where they've been engaging in rich, hands-on learning experiences that go far beyond the classroom. From collaborative play to exploration, these moments are an important part of their growth and development.

This week also brought plenty of pride as our girls took to the field and court, representing St Colman's in both Gaelic Football and Netball. Their determination and team spirit truly stood out. We couldn't be prouder of them.

Excitement is already building for next week as our Primary 6 boys prepare for the Lisburn Schools Final. Their achievement has created a real buzz throughout the school, and we know the whole St Colman's community will be cheering them on!

Meanwhile, in our classrooms, there's been a gentle shift in focus as we move towards one of the most meaningful times in the liturgical year. Our children have been learning about the Easter story, reflecting thoughtfully and creatively through prayer, discussion and beautiful artwork that now adorns our corridors.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr McCaffery Vice Principal