



# The Friday Note

## Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**School Office:** From Monday, if you need to inform the office of your child's absence, discuss dinners/clubs etc we ask that you do so from 8.30am onwards. Staff calls only up until then.

**Transfrom Ed Teacher Training Days: no school for pupils. Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March and Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May.**

### Dates for your diary:

**St Patrick's Day Holiday:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March.

**Easter Holidays:** Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April.

**P4 First Holy Communion:** Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April & Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 12 noon mass.

**P3 First Confession:** Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May at 1.30pm

### Sacrament Information

**P4 First Holy Communion:** Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April – Mrs Monaghan's class  
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Mr Kernan & Mrs Toland's classes

**P3 Enrolment Ceremony:** Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 10am Mass, refreshments in hall after

**P3 First Confession:** Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May at 1.30pm

### Afterschool Clubs / Activities for Week Beginning 16<sup>th</sup> February

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Boys Soccer with Mrs Tandy</b> <b>MR Sports Martial Arts P3-P7</b>	<b>3-4pm in hall</b> <b>3-4pm in hall</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Irish Dancing P1-P7</b> <b>MR Sports Arts &amp; Crafts P1-P7</b> <b>MR Sports Soccer P1-P7**</b>	<b>2-3pm + 3-4pm in hall</b> <b>2-3pm + 3-4pm in P1 block</b> <b>2-3pm + 3-4pm on pitch</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Mrs Hanna's &amp; Miss Donnelly's Netball P6/7</b> <b>MR Sports Hurling P3-P**</b> <b>P4 – P7 Film &amp; Animation Club - new session</b>	<b>3-4pm in hall</b> <b>3-4pm on pitch</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>St Colman's Gaelic Training</b>	<b>P5-P7 3-4pm on pitch</b>

**\*\* On wet days MR Sports outdoor activities will be in the hall and dismissed from the bottom hall door.**



### School Meals: Week beginning Monday 9th March 2026

- All school dinners must be booked in advance of Monday morning

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
Lasagne & Garlic Bread Carrots & Broccoli Pasta & Wedges Melon, Mandarin & Pineapple Pot	Ham & Cheese Pizza Sweetcorn & Coleslaw Chipped/ Baby Potatoes Raspberry Jelly with Two Fruits	Chicken Curry & Naan Bread Peas & Butternut Squash Rice & Potato Salad Pineapple Upside Down Cake with Custard	Roast Beef with Yorkshire Pudding Stuffing & Gravy ~or~ Baked Salmon and Tomato Pasta Carrots & Cauliflower Mashed/ Roast Potatoes Chocolate Mousse with Chopped Fruit	Chicken Goujons Peas & Baked Beans Chipped/ Baked Potatoes & Salad Homemade Flakemeal Biscuit with Melon Wedge

### Pupil of the Week



Acorn Class Ms Hannaway P1 Mrs Hanna P1 Miss Donnelly	Max Mc Crea Baum Caoimhin Flanagan Eoin Kelly	Zariyah McShane Liliana McDonnell
P2 Ms Phoenix P2 Mrs Henry (Ms O' Prey) P3 Mrs McDonnell	Camille Murray Jack Hamilton Peter Rush	Isla MacLeod April Rose Hawkins Abigail McCallion
P3 Mrs Casey (Miss Raffo) Mrs Toland	Eva McLaughlin Temi Banmeke	Daire Curran Aiden Hebditch
P4 Mr Kernan P4 Mrs Monaghan	Aidan McCaffrey Orla Devlin	Darcie McClenaghan Robyn Kane
P5 Miss Cunningham/ Mrs Alexander P5 Miss McGinn	James Toal Dylan Hill	Saorlaith McCarthy Grace Colgan
P6 Mrs Tandy P6 Mrs McGrath	Rogan McGlinchey Max Mc Grath	Cailin McQuillan Emily Armstrong
P7 Mr Deery P7 Mr McCaffery (Mrs Boden) Mr Mc Cambridge	Cormac Magee Niamh McCann Leon Connolly	Adrian McColgan Phoebe Quinn Cillian McCreight



**Principal's Award this week goes to.....** Alfie Hanna P5, Rionagh Flanagan P1, Ben McDonagh P6, Ellie Harkin P5 Odhran Finnegan P4, Ava Madden P3. ... **Well Done Everyone** 😊

**And finally....** Dear Parents,

I am delighted to inform you that our school has been selected by the Department of Education as one of the few primary schools in the North to pilot the Read Write Inc. Programme for our P1–P4 pupils.

This has been proven to be a very successful programme in England with high level outcomes for children. As part of this initiative, our staff will receive intensive, high-level training along with a wealth of "programme dedicated" reading books and phonics resources. We are confident that this programme will have a very positive impact on all of our children's emerging reading, writing, and phonic skills

Read Write Inc. is a highly effective, phonics-based literacy programme that helps children learn to read and write with confidence. Through systematic phonics teaching, engaging storybooks, and consistent literacy routines, pupils make rapid progress—particularly those who benefit from additional support. Its structured approach enables teachers and classroom assistants to deliver clear, lively lessons that build fluency, comprehension, and a genuine love of reading.

Over the next few weeks, we will begin the "Read Write Inc." entry assessments for all P1–P4 pupils. Each assessment will take approximately 5–10 minutes and will help staff tailor the programme to meet the needs of individual children. Once assessments are completed and staff training has taken place, we will begin full implementation of the programme and will, of course, keep you updated. We are genuinely excited about the impact this programme could have on our children.

If you want to find out a bit more the Read, Write, Inc website is: [ruthmiskin.com](http://ruthmiskin.com)

Enjoy your weekend,

Mr. Baine