



St. Colman's Primary School

LAMBEG



The Friday Note



Friday 1st May 2026

Good afternoon everyone, please see below our Friday Note with key updates, upcoming events and celebrations from across the school.

Bank Holiday Closing: school will be closed for all pupils on Monday 4th May and Tuesday 5th May for the Bank Holiday. School will return as normal on Wednesday 6th May

May Garden: As we enter the month of May, traditionally dedicated to Mary, we are excited to relaunch our 'May Garden', a special initiative at St. Colman's. We will be adding to our *May Garden* for Mary, a peaceful and prayerful space filled with flowers and plants traditionally associated with Our Lady. To bring this beautiful vision to life, we are inviting our school community to once again take part in a shared effort. We are kindly requesting donations of the following flowers and plants associated with Our Lady:

- Golden Roses Lavender Oxeye Daisy Lilies
- Pansies Tulips Marigolds

If you are able to donate any of these items, or contribute potting soil, bark chippings/pathway gravel, fence panels, other plants or even gardening materials, we would be deeply grateful. Donations can be brought to the school through the office or your class teacher throughout the month of May. We are all looking forward to this project at St. Colman's and hope we can create a beautiful tribute to Our Lady together.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and generosity. Mr. Deery (Religion Coordinator)

Recruitment at St Colman's - Classroom Assistant Posts (Specialist Provision)

Please see below an advertisement on the Education Authority website for Classroom Assistant posts at St Colman's Primary School. The closing date for applications is Monday 11th May.

[Link - Job Description - Classroom Assistant \(Additional Special Educational Needs\) in Specialist Provision \(SPS\) x 3 \(26002889\)](#)



Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 25th May and Tuesday 26th May

Transform Ed Staff Training Day: Wednesday 27th May – no school for pupils.

St Colman's Sports Day: Thursday 21st May - KS1 classes (P1-P4)

Friday 22nd May - KS2 classes (P5-P7)



P3 First Confession:

Thursday 28th May at 1.30pm



Week Beginning Monday 4th May 2026

Day	Club/Activity	Time	Location
Wednesday	St Colman's Netball P6/7	3-4pm	Hall
	MR Sports Hurling P3-P7	3-4pm	Pitch
	Film & Animation Club *Fully Booked	3-4pm	Mr Deery's Classroom
Thursday	St Colman's Gaelic P5-P7	3-4pm	Pitch
	MR Sports Lego Club P1-P7	2-3pm + 3-4pm	Mrs Hanna's Classroom



Week beginning Monday 4th May 2026

All school dinners must be booked in advance of Monday morning

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
May Bank Holiday *School Closed*	*School Closed*	Lunch Bunch Chicken Curry & Naan Bread Peas & Butternut Squash Rice & Potato Salad Pineapple Upside Down Cake with Custard	Roast Beef with Yorkshire Pudding Stuffing & Rich Gravy Or Baked Salmon & Tomato Pasta Roast Carrot & Cauliflower Mashed/ Oven Roast Potatoes Chocolate Flavoured Mousse with Chopped Fruit	Oven Baked Chicken Goujons Peas & Baked Beans, Chipped Potatoes, Baked Potato & Fresh Seasonal Salad Homemade Flakemeal Biscuit with Melon Wedge



Acorn Class Ms Hannaway	Hunter Hepworth	
P1 Mrs Hanna	Cian Turley	Layla Walker
P1 Miss Donnelly	Senan McKernon	Ellie Andrews
P2 Ms Phoenix	Eli Casement	Fianna Grimley
P2 Mrs Henry (Ms O'Prey)	Danny Hebbditch McKenna	Arthur Smyth
P3 Mrs McDonnell	Clodagh McCorry	Joseph Rodgers
P3 Mrs Casey (Miss Raffo)	Mya McKenny- Taggart	Oscar Cullen
Mrs Toland	Odhrán Finnegan	Grace McKenna
P4 Mr Kernan	Joshua Lowe Brennan	Sophia Conlan
P4 Mrs Monaghan	Aida Tohill	Orlaith McKervey
P5 Miss Cunningham/ Mrs Alexander	Eoin Marley	Sebastian Ward
P5 Miss McGinn	Grace McComb	Jack Haller
P6 Mrs Tandy	Rose Doherty	Amelia McGreevy
P6 Mrs McGrath	Daniel McGrath	Aimee Flynn
P7 Mr Deery	Patrick McElvanna	Megan Mooney, Lily- Ann Williams
P7 Mr McCaffery (Mrs Boden)	Maia McGauley	Lucas McCartney
Mr Mc Cambridge	Marissa Maughan	Charlotte Elwood



Principal's Award this week goes to... .. Leo McVeigh P6, Cailean Johnston P7, Sam McAllister P4 Well done! 😊



Football Success

Congratulations to our very talented P6 football team, who were crowned Under 10 Lisburn Cup champions this week in fantastic style!

It has been a brilliant journey for this group of boys, who since January have shown not only great skill, but real heart, teamwork and determination in every match they have played. The final was no different, with an outstanding 5-1 victory over Finaghy Primary to secure the cup for the second year in a row.

School Website: www.stcolmanslambeg.com

There were strong performances right across the team - excellent goals from Ryan, Ben and Roman, tireless work and control in midfield from Rogan and Jude, calm and confident defending from Daniel, Max and Tadhg, and some superb goalkeeping from Dylan.

A special mention must go to Ryan, who was deservedly named Player of the Final by the referee after an incredible hat-trick performance.

Thank you also to our P7 supporters and parents who came along to cheer the boys on. It made a real difference on the day.

We are extremely proud of the team and look forward to seeing them continue their success as they move into P7 next year!



And Finally... It has been another incredibly busy and positive week in school, with so much to celebrate across all areas of school life.

To begin with our learning, we have had a fantastic start to our new phonics programme across Primary 1 to Primary 3. The level of engagement from the children has been brilliant to see. They have really embraced the new approach and are already showing great enthusiasm and confidence in their learning. It's always exciting to see something new take off.

Our First Holy Communion celebrations have now come to an end, and what a special few days they were. Thankfully, the weather was on our side (which we never take for granted!), and the boys and girls represented themselves and the school beautifully. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of them. A sincere thank you to our Parents' Association, our Primary 3 parents, and of course our staff, who all played a part in making the occasions so memorable and successful. It was lovely to see the school community come together in such a meaningful way.

On the sporting front, there was more success to celebrate this week. Our P6 boys' team, led by Mrs Tandy and Miss Raffo, have brought home the Lisburn Cup for the second year in a row - an outstanding achievement! It was a brilliant final, full of determination, teamwork and no shortage of excitement. We are very proud of the boys and their achievement - another well-deserved addition to the trophy cabinet.

A quick reminder that the school will be closed to pupils on Monday and Tuesday next week. With the good weather making a welcome appearance, we hope it continues into the long weekend and that you all get the chance to relax and enjoy some family time.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back, refreshed and ready to go, on Wednesday.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mr McCaffery
Vice Principal