

HOLY TRINITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

PARENTS NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2018

EVENTS IN NOVEMBER

Anti-Bullying Week- 12th-16th

November

Parent Interviews - 20th November

P3EA – Pizza Express Trip,

8th November

P3CMC – Pizza Express Trip, 15th

November

P5s 'Sing Out' Concert 14th November

Safety Issues

Dogs

Dogs are not permitted within the school ground, even if they are on a lead.

Car Parking

As you are aware there can at times be a build-up of traffic at certain busy times. Over the last few years we have built extra car parking spaces reserved for parents. In the interests of safety to the children and the public parents are asked to use the two parent car parks and not to park on the double yellow lines or block the turning circle.



Dropping off Zone

There are several spaces for cars at the front of the Key Stage 1 yard. These are specifically for dropping off children and moving away. This is not a parking area.

Update on information

We will try to keep you informed throughout the year of different events which are taking place. We will do this mainly through our school text service, Newsletter and Website. It is important that we have the most up to date phone number so that you can

receive these texts. Please keep us updated of any changes to your contact details.

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

This year's theme is 'RESPECT'. During the week beginning the 12th of November, children in all year groups will be concentrating on the definition, causes and effects of bullying and discussing anti-bullying strategies and procedures. If you have any concerns about your child being bullied, it is important that you talk to your class teacher at an early stage. Concerns of a serious nature should be raised with Mrs Boyd, Mr White, Miss Murphy or Ms Devlin. Bullying is a serious issue which we take very seriously and all incidents will be dealt with as outlined in our Anti-Bullying Policy.

Boys Gaelic league

On Friday 28th October P4 and P5 Holy Trinity boys took part in a hurling blitz against pupils from St Malachy's and Ballymacward. For many of the pupils this was their first time taking part in a competitive competition and they did us proud. Holy Trinity won two of their three matches and are eagerly looking forward to their weekly training sessions.

Girls Gaelic league

Our girls have had a successful month in the Girls' football league. The girls competed in the Cumann na mBunscol A league and played their group matches against Bunscoil an Phobal Feirste and St John the Baptist. After two hard fought matches, our girls emerged with two victories which

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ensured that they topped the group and progressed through to the semifinal. In the semifinal, the girls played St Ita's, Carryduff and were faced with another determined and skillful team. After a tense opening our girls began to pull away, striking over a succession of points from distance, allowing them to build an unassailable lead and progress through to the A league final. Our opponents in the final were once again St John the Baptist. The match once again became a closely fought encounter, with each team taking turns to register scores. Unfortunately, unlike our previous encounter, our girls weren't able to overcome the opposition despite the great skill, determination and attitude that they showed. The team were a credit to both the school and their coaches throughout the campaign and the silverware will surely not be too far away!

DIGITAL LEADERS 2018 -19

Congratulations to our 12 new Digital Leaders this year:

Rhea Mc Ewan, Aimee Beck, Harvey Fitzsimons, Jessica Kelly, Annie Mc Manus, Martin Morris, Roise O'Reilly, Matthew Armstrong, Francis Mc Cullagh, Eve Kempston, Cora Pierce and Darragh Ward. Thank you to everyone who applied, we had lots of interest. We are looking forward to working on our Digital Badges and helping with Internet Safety!

Why not have a look at their weekly blog.

<http://holytrinitydigitalleaders.weebly.com/>

Enrolement Ceremony

On the 16th October, children from P4-P7 attended monthly mass. During the mass the children in P4 participated in the Enrolement Ceremony for their First Holy Communion. It was a lovely service and as usual the behaviour and singing was excellent. Well done everyone and thanks to Father Brendan for a beautiful service.

ECO LEADERS 2018/2019

Congratulations to our 12 new Eco leaders this year: Orin Agnew, Grace Harte, Olivia Mooney, Harvey Fitzsimons, James Coleman, Jaiden McOwen, Evelyn Kerr, Martin Morris, Ryan Rodgers, Aoife Murtagh, Bronagh Smith and Paul Lawlor. Thank you to everyone who applied. We look forward to working on raising our school's awareness about Eco issues in our school and local area and working towards renewing our Green Flag award.

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN!

Upper Springfield Events group is presenting '*Santa Claus is Coming to Town*' on the 11th of December @ The USDTrust, Top of the Rock; Mini Market at 4.00pm; then at **Santa's Grotto** & Post Box at 4:30pm. (All Children must be accompanied by an Adult)

There will also be a *Christmas Bazaar* at Corpus Christi Youth Centre on the 6th December at 6:30pm and a *Resource Senior Citizens Xmas Party* on Wednesday 19th Dec at 3.00pm in the Sliabh Dubh Pub.

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We are delighted to welcome eSafetysaurus our newest member of Holy Trinity. Back in May we ran a competition to design a mascot for esafety. Thank you to everyone who entered. We had so many brilliant ideas! Big congratulations to our winners: Dara, Evelyn and Kaci. We now have our dinosaur mascot. He has joined the school this year to help us learn about esafety and how to stay safe online. Every month we will have a different code to learn about and children will be working on activities in class related to this code. Keep an eye out for him around the school!

The children from Mrs Mc Laughlin and Mrs Norris classes presented a fabulous Assembly on internet safety and introduced our new friend. Well done P5 and LSC3!

**November Code:
Blast Off To Cyberbullies!**

