

MONDAY NOTE

LONG TOWER PRIMARY SCHOOL

** SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN **

It is really important that parents **do not** drive into the staff car park when children are exiting the school. I appreciate that it is difficult to find parking outside the school; however, I am concerned that a child could be seriously injured in the car park.

Also, I would appreciate if all parents could remind their children to stay in school once they have dropped them off. Children should only cross the road at the traffic lights, with the lollipop man. We have spoken to the children about this and would also appreciate your support.

The breakfast club is open from 8.15am and there is supervision in the canteen until 9.00am. children who come to school early must remain in the canteen or at the Accelerated Reading club until 8.45am. A member of staff will be on duty in the playground from 8.45am each morning. **Children should not be in the playground before 8.45am**, as there is no supervision before this time.

CLASS ATTENDANCE LEAGUE

Congratulations to Miss Doherty's P6 class, who are top of the attendance league for this week. Good luck to all classes for next week. Congratulations to Jamie o' Kane in P1, who won the 100% attendance draw.

PRIMARY FOUR FIRST CONFESSION

Congratulations to our Primary 4 children who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation last Tuesday. The pupils read and sang beautifully. They showed reverence and respect in the church. It was an evening of celebration. Thank you to Ava, Clara and Katie from Primary 7 for their musical accompaniment, which greatly added to the evening.

NOTICES

Congratulations to Mrs Duncan's class on their excellent assembly on Forgiveness.

Monday 8th April, Shared Education Musical Pathways/ Art project in Fountain PS

On Thursday, P3 classes will have a shared education lesson with children from Fountain PS.

On Friday 12th April, Primary 7 children will continue their golfing lessons at Fountain PS, organised by City of Derry, Golf club

Primary 7 children will attend Mary Poppins show at Nazareth House on Monday 8th April.

Nursery children are going on a Road Safety walk on Friday 12th April. Remember to use Green Cross code with your child.

On Tuesday 9th April, Miss Henderson's P4 class will continue with their Busy Bodies programme.

Monday 8th/Tuesday 9th April P5-P7 will have Confession in the church.

Please remember to sign permission slips for your child if they are going to an event out of school.

MARCH SPELLING WIZARD

Congratulations to Mia Whoriskey for winning the P3 March Spelling Wizard competition; Beth Mc Garrigle for winning P4/5 Spelling Wizard and Zenan Kennedy for winning the P6/7 Spelling Wizard competition. They gave an excellent performance. Well done to all our finalists for their fantastic effort.

LEARNING POOL WIZARD

P5 will visit Learning Pool on Tuesday 9th April to celebrate the completion of this years' Time to Code project in association with Business in the Community and Code Club. The children have been guided through the course by two volunteers from Learning Pool and will tour their facilities to understand how the coding skills they have acquired can be used in a place of work.

ATTENDANCE

It is extremely important that your child attends school each day. If your child is off school, please inform the class teacher in writing or phone the office and let Noeleen know the reason for the absence. The Department of Education requires schools to justify absences for every child. Please note that if your child's attendance falls below 85%, the Education Welfare Officer will ask you to present evidence to justify such absences. Please try to organise family holidays outside of school term time.

EASTER BASKETS

Our PTA are making up Easter Baskets, for the Easter draw. If anyone would like to donate items for the baskets, these would be much appreciated. Easter Raffle sheets are available for our Easter Draw.

CHILD PROTECTION

If you would like a copy of our Child Protection policy, please ask at the office, or you can download a copy from our school website <u>www.longtowerps.co.uk</u>. Our Child Protection Team consists of Mr I Gallagher, designated teacher for Child Protection; Mrs Hutchison, deputy teacher in charge of Child Protection and Nursery Designated Teacher; Mrs Anne Mc Taggart is the governor for Child Protection. Mrs Logue is also responsible for Child Protection in the school.

FIRST COMMUNION

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated on <u>Saturday 25th May</u> 2019 at 11am in St. Columba's Church The date for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be confirmed in the new year.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PUPILS OF THE MONTH

Primary One Mrs Connolly	Mason Moore
Primary One Miss Guy	Ava Mellon
Primary Two Mrs Kelly	Odhran Quigley
Primary Two Miss Biddle	Teri Mc Kinney
Primary Three Mrs Duncan	Xavier Doherty
Primary Three Mrs Lynch	Conor Mc Cafferty
Primary Four Miss Bowe	Alecia Griffin
Primary Four Miss Henderson	Niamh Thompson
Primary Five Mr Gallagher	Caidin Doherty
Primary Five Mrs Mc Crystal	Diego Vieira
Primary Six Miss E Doherty	Ava Harris
Primary Seven Ms Mc Glinchey	Ryan O' Hagan

RIGHT OF THE MONTH

The Right of the month for April is:

In April the right of the month from the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child is: Article 15-You have the right to be with your friends and join or set up clubs

PATHS QUOTE

Remember that there are many kinds of compliments. Compliments can be about how a person looks, the things they have, the things they do, and the way a person is.

Challenge yourself to give at least one of each of these compliments today.

NURSERY STARS OF THE WEEK

ALFIE PARKE AND MAISIE-KATE NIXON

Nursery Stars of the week are Alfie Parke and Maisie- Kate Nixon for being kind and helpful. Well done **Alfie** and Maisie-Kate.

PEANUT AND NUTFREE CLASSROOM

At present, we have children in the school who have nut allergies, therefore, it is vitally important that you do not send any food with your child to school that contains nuts. **Nuts, peanuts or any products containing nuts or peanuts are NOT allowed in school.**

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES OR REQUESTS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SEND THESE INTO SCHOOLS IN A LETTER WITH YOUR CHILD.

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