

MONDAY NOTE

LONG TOWER PRIMARY SCHOOL

It is hard to believe that we have come to the end of another school year! It has been a busy year and we are all ready for the holidays. I wish you all a relaxing and hopefully, sunny break. Keep safe! Many thanks for all your support throughout the year.



NOTICES

Legion of Mary members will visit the P7 children on Monday 24th June.

The P7 Leavers' Mass will take place on Tuesday 25th June at 11am. All are welcome.

Confessions will take place on Monday 24th June for P4 classes.

P6 netball team will take part in a tournament in Lumen Christi on Monday 24th June

SCHOOL CLOSURE

The school will close on Friday 28th June at 12 noon. School will open for the Autumn term on Monday 2nd September 2019 at 9am.

MAY SPELLING WIZARD

Congratulations to Isabella Kavanagh for winning the P3 Spelling Wizard competition; Emer Maguire for winning P4/5 Spelling Wizard and Caoirse Doherty for winning the P6/7 Spelling Wizard competition. They gave an excellent performance. Well done to all our finalists for their fantastic effort.

PATHS QUOTE

A frown and a smile met one day, The frown was not able to stay, It faced the smile and ran away!

LEAVERS MASS

The end of year Mass for Primary 7 children will take place on Tuesday 25th June at 11am. This is a very special time as the pupils gather for the last time as a class to celebrate the Eucharist and their years of learning and friendship at Long Tower. We look forward to seeing the children and their families in the Assembly Hall. Primary Seven children will finish school on Tuesday, after dinner.

ATTENDANCE

The end of year attendance report has been completed with the Education Welfare Officer. It has been noted that the attendance of a number of children is still below the target rate of 85%.

Attendance has been recorded on the children's annual report. Please take note of your child's attendance. If attendance falls below 85% you will be notified and your child's attendance will be monitored closely. If their attendance does not improve, the Education Welfare Officer will make contact.

Well done to all the children who made a big effort to improve their attendance this year.

PRIMARY 4

The Primary 4 children donated £125 from First Holy Communion Day to the charity Children Helping Children. This is a great example of their Christian concern for other children who are in need. Thank you, Primary 4.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT QUESTIONNAIRES

Thank you to all who have returned the questionnaires on how we can improve our school; please continue to send in your questionnaires. All your responses will be considered by the School's Management Team and shared with the Board of Governors to help us to inform our whole school planning for 2019-2020. The School Development Plan will be available for parents from the school office in October 2019.

RIGHT OF THE MONTH

The Right of the month for June from the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child is Article 24: "The right to be healthy and informed to help you stay well."

NURSERY TRANSITTION PROGRAMME

Nursery parents are invited to an end of year Celebration event on Monday 24th June in the Big Hall in the lower school, at 1 o'clock.

Children will be given their certificates for the Big Bedtime Read; Sports day and Happy Healthy Kids. All are welcome.

Nursery Children will finish on Tuesday 25th June at normal time. We wish you a safe and happy holiday.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONFERENCE

The Diocese is hosting its first Religious Education Conference for Schools on the 28th and 29th August 2019 in Saint Columb's College, Derry. As well as the day sessions, which many schools have already registered for, there will be two evening sessions open to the public. We would like to invite all parents to attend. It is a great opportunity to celebrate Catholic Education and to acknowledge the challenges and opportunities facing schools today as they help our young people to appreciate who they are, to thrive and to be capable learners and leaders for the world God desires.

On the evening of the 28th August, **Fr Adrian Porter**, **SJ**, **Director of the Jesuit Institute of Education, London**, will give a keynote address entitled, **'Trusting God-Promoting Positive Mental Health in a Catholic School'** and on the

29th August at 7pm **Professor Francis Campbell, Vice Chancellor of Saint Mary's University, Twickenham** will give a keynote address entitled-'Why Choose a Catholic School?'

There will be an opportunity for questions and discussion after the keynote addresses.

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

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