ST. PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL GLENARIFF Thursday 11th November 2021





Dates for your Diary Primary 4 First Holy Communion - Saturday 21st May 2022. Primary 3 First Confession Tuesday 15th March 2022. No date yet for P7 Confirmation, we will inform you as soon as we know.

<u>Christmas Cards</u> The children have been designing their Christmas cards in school this week. We will be sending home their finished designs tomorrow for parents to see, please check your child's schoolbag or folder. If you would like to order copies of your child/children's Christmas cards, please fill in and return the order form and money in an envelope by Tuesday 16th November. The school will receive a percentage of cards bought which will go to school funds.

Recycling – Cash for Old Clothes. We had a great collection this time. We collected 1621.5 kg which was worth £811.25 for school funds. Thank you so much for your support.



<u>School Photographs</u> The school photograph proofs are being collected on Monday morning. If you are still wanting to order your photos, please send in your order forms with money in the envelope provided no later than tomorrow Friday 12th November.

<u>School Council</u> We will be holding our school council elections next week. The children that are running for school council are busy preparing their manifestos to read in front of their class. We wish them good luck and will announce the winners at the end of the week.

Ditch the Dark Day – Friday 19th November.

Road Safety Week runs from next Monday 15th - Friday 19th November.

On Friday 19th November we would like the children to come to school dressed in bright coloured clothing. This is to highlight the importance of being seen on the dark winter mornings and evenings. They can wear facepaints, coloured wigs, bright or fluorescent clothes... be as creative as they like!

<u>Warm Clothes</u> Can we ask parents to send in an extra layer of clothing e.g. (hoodie, sweater, thermal top) for your child /children to keep in school to wear under their school jumper. We are encouraging as much ventilation as possible in our school to help reduce the risk of transmission of Covid-19. Please put the clothing in a plastic bag with your child's name on it and it will be kept on their peg in the cloakroom.

Hurling/Camogie Dominic McKinley will be taking our children for hurling/camogie over the next three terms, beginning Friday 26th November. The children should bring their own helmet & hurl. If they do not have one the school will provide one.

<u>Christmas Movie Night</u> The school will be hosting a Christmas movie / pizza night for all our children on Thursday 2nd December. This will begin at 5pm and finishing times will be confirmed for each class closer to the time. As movies will finish later in the evening, it is important that ALL children from P1-7 are collected by a responsible adult. (More details later).

<u>Christmas Dinner</u> Friday 10th December. School will finish for all children at 1pm. The children will eat their Christmas dinner in their 'bubbles' with Christmas music playing. It is also National Christmas Jumper Day so we encourage the children to wear Christmas jumpers & hats/hair decorations if they wish.



<u>**ParentPay**</u> Can we ask parents to check your parentpay accounts as some are in arrears. Please balance your accounts as soon as possible as between both dinners and snacks the accounts are out almost \pounds 85.00. Thank you.