

ST. PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL GLENARIFF

Monday 19th December 2022



Our Christmas Carol Service takes place in the church tonight at 7pm.


All the children should wear their Christmas jumpers. Family members may wear their Christmas jumpers too if they wish. We would like everyone to be seated in the church by no later than 6.50pm. Friends, family and parishioners are all very welcome.

Every year the school supports a worthy charity in order to highlight to the children the needs of others at this time of year. The charity this year is 'The Kevin Bell Repatriation Trust'. **Staff will have collection boxes at the church door tonight. All donations for our charity will be welcome.**

School Calendar The P.T.F.A. will be selling the new 2023 school calendar in the porch after the carol service if anyone wishes to purchase one or you may still purchase one from the school.

The calendars cost £5.00 each

School finishes on Thursday 22nd December at 11am for Christmas. The children may wear their Christmas/festive clothing. They do not need to bring schoolbags or folders.

Friday 23 rd December – Wednesday 4 th January 2023	School Closed - Christmas Holidays 
Thursday 5 th January	School reopens after Christmas Holidays.
Tuesday 10 th January	Primary Admissions Applications open online from 12 noon.
Monday 9 th January	School will finish for all children @ 1pm
Tuesday 10 th January	School will finish for all children @ 1pm
Friday 27 th January	Primary Admissions Applications Closing Date @ 12 noon.

Dates for your Diary Primary 3 First Confession Tuesday 14th March 2023.

Primary 7 Confirmation Tuesday 9th May @ 7pm.

Primary 4 First Holy Communion - Saturday 20th May 2023.

Advent Charity Raffle We had a fantastic array of prizes for our charity raffle, the draw was held on Friday. **The winners were Ernie McCracken & Emily O'Boyle P1, Finn Marrs P2, Calum McDonnell & Jane Mitchell P4, Oisin McDonnell & Sophia O'Neill P5, Saoirse McMullan & Conor Leech P6 and Caoimhe McDonnell & Conor Haughey P7.** Many thanks to all the staff for donating the prizes. We raised £232.00 for The Kevin Bell Repatriation Trust through our raffle. Thank you to all our children and parents for donating so generously to our Charity raffle.

ParentPay There are 19 accounts in arrears for meals and 12 in arrears for snacks. Please check both your meal and snack accounts and credit where necessary. We need the accounts to be balanced before we finish.

Pre - School & P1 Admissions September 2023

If your child is starting pre-school or primary school in September 2023, you can apply for their place online from 12 noon on 10th January 2023. The closing date and time for pre-school and primary one applications will be 12.00 noon on Friday 27th January 2023.

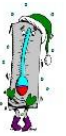
Further information on the admissions procedure will be available on the Education Authority website digital@eani.org.uk. Go to the parent section and click on admissions. If you have any problems accessing the admissions procedure online, please contact the Admissions helpline on 028 95985595 or email primaryadmissions@eani.org.uk.

Term 2 Milk The Final milk numbers for Term 2 will be sent to DaleFarm on Wednesday. Milk for term 2 is £12.18 and all milk must be paid via Parentpay by Wednesday 21st December. **No orders or payments will be taken after this date.**

The after Christmas dinner menu will be sent home on Wednesday and will be available to download & view on the website.

Emergency Access Arrangements for Extreme Weather Conditions

The school's first priority will be to provide a safe route into school for children, parents and staff. In a snow/ice emergency situation normal access routes may be closed or changed and access will only be available after the removal of snow and/or ice - **Please use each route only if it is cleared before you arrive at the school.** At least one route will be open. If in exceptional circumstances the school will have to be closed, parents will be informed via email or text message and information will be posted on the school website, stpatrickspglenariff.co.uk.



Can parents please ensure they have their email addresses added to the website and have uploaded the SCHOOLS NI APP to their phone.

All persons should enter carefully on foot.

Only staff cars & delivery vehicles will be allowed into the school car park, except where permission has been given by the principal in special circumstances to do so.

*May I take this opportunity on behalf of the Board of Governors,
teachers, staff and children to wish you all a
Happy, Holy and Peaceful Christmas and New Year.*

Mr Mark Dinsmore, Acting Principal.

