

## November 2021 Newsletter



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#### Dear families and friends

According to our Christmas Countdown it is only 51 sleeps until Christmas so we have even less school days to get lots of learning in whilst also getting ourselves into the Christmas spirit. We have begun to plan our Christmas performances and other exciting activities for the children so we will let you know about these very soon.

**Thank YOU** to everyone for your continued support in all that we do. Every good wish and thoughtful gesture is greatly appreciated.

### GOOD LUCK



Best Wishes to the P7 pupils who are sitting the Transfer tests over the next few weeks. We are thinking about you and are proud of your hard work and efforts.

# BOARD OF GOVERNORS PARENT REP

A few weeks ago I sent out information in relation to election of a parent representative for the BOG. Please return these by tomorrow Friday this week-5<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Thank you in advance.

# FRIENDS OF CHAPEL ROAD PS

The friends of Chapel Road PS have been busy planning events and fundraising for this academic year. They are going to run a **BIG CHRISTMAS DRAW** with numerous prizes.

If you are in a position to donate a prize or know anyone who would be willing to donate, please do let us know. All monies raised will go towards supporting the children with various events and trips throughout the school year.

If you feel you would like to join the committee, please contact the office on 028 71341419 and we will pass on your details.

# NOVEMBER NUMERACY CHALLENGE

We have signed up to this challenge. This is a global mathematics challenge focused on using Live Mathletics. Students take part in 60-second races that test the speed and accuracy of their mathematics fluency skills. Prizes are awarded for top performing schools. We are excited about this challenge and the positive impact it will have on Numeracy skills for everyone who takes part. Let's give it our best shot and win some prizes!!



## ANTI-BULLYING WEEK BEGINS15<sup>™</sup>NOVEMBER 2021

The theme for Anti-Bullying week is <u>ONE KIND WORD</u>. This ties in really well with the PATHS programme. We have very kind children and adults in our school so we will have no problem sharing kind words. You can find out more by clicking on the link below.

http://www.endbullying.org.uk/anti-bullying-week-2021-theme/

#### ODD SOCKS DAY-FRIDAY 19th NOVEMBER 2021

Wear your odd socks to school on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November to mark Anti-Bullying Week. The message behind ODD SOCKS DAY is to be kind to each other and respect each other's individuality. Please send in £1.00 in for school funds.



## **REMINDER SCHOOL CLOSURES**

School closed on <mark>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021.</mark>

School will close for Christmas on <mark>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 12 NOON</mark>. Children return to school on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

## **READ-A-THON**

Well done the boys and girls for reading as many books as possible in October. We are proud of you all and hope that you enjoyed all the stories and new words and knowledge that you picked up along the way. We cannot stress how important it is to encourage daily reading for enjoyment and the life-long benefits of developing good reading habits from an early age. Look out on the website over the next few days for our prize winners.

# <u>Derry Journal-'Children Tell the News'</u>

Our Primary 7 children took part in 'Children tell the News!' with the Derry Journal earlier this week.

The children discussed current topics and the Journal staff said they were the best behaved children ever with lovely manners! Well done Primary 7. Your input will be shared on The Derry Journal official website, Facebook page, Twitter and Instagram.

We are looking forward to hearing what you had to say.

## CHRISTMAS HAT AND JUMPER DAY-3<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER 2021



We have registered for this fun event so get the Christmas hats and jumpers out for the 3<sup>rd</sup> of December and join us as we take part in the Santa Run Daily Mile.

#### CHRISTMAS DINNER IN SCHOOL

Our ANNUAL Christmas dinner is planned for Wednesday  $8^{th}$  December 2021. If are not in receipt of free school meals and you wish your child to have Christmas dinner, please send in £2.60 in a sealed envelope stating Christmas dinner money.





#### FIRST CONFESSION-PRIMARY 4

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 2.00pm.

#### FIRST COMMUNION-PRIMARY 4

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at 11.30am in St. Columb's Church, Chapel Road.

#### CONFIRMATION-PRIMARY 7

The parish provide this date-we will forward as soon as we receive it.

Thank you for your continued support in all that we do.

Kind Regards Mrs. Bacheta and staff