TERM ONE-SEPTEMBER 2024

DATES FOR THE DIARY
7TH OCTOBER
MOURNE STAR SPEECH AND
DRAMA WORKSHOP

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PRIMARY 7 VISIT TO
SHIMNA COLLEGE

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NEWRY, MOURNE & DOWN
CROSS COUNTRY

15TH OCTOBER
P6 WRITING WORKSHOP

22ND OCTOBER
4/5 WRITING WORKSHOP

25TH OCTOBER HALLOWEEN ART WORKSHOP

28 OCT—IST NOV MID-TERM BREAK

FURTHER DATES ARE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE



News At Saint Mary's Primary School

Principal's Message

Hello everyone. My vision for the Finn is to provide a school that is 'Engaging hearts, inspiring minds and serving our community.'

Through engaging hearts we care for the pupil's spiritual, moral, social and physical needs. We have a happy and secure school where our children feel valued and special.

By inspiring minds we have created an environment in which each child will enjoy the full range of learning opportunities

in order to grow in confidence and independence. The high quality teaching and learning provided at St Mary's ensures our pupils are well equipped to thrive throughout their time in primary school and beyond.

In serving our community we wish to work in collaboration with all of our parish as a Catholic school and to foster a respect for the local community and the wider world.

My staff and I will always be available to discuss any aspect of your child's development.



Tesco Stronger Starts Campaign



Many thanks to everyone who voted for St. Mary's Primary school during the recent Tesco stronger starts campaign.

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Once again we were lucky to receive fantastic support from our families.

We successfully came first in the vote and won a grand prize of

£1,500 for our school. This shall be used to invest in play for St. mary's pupils.

Mr Murphy is pictured with Aine and Hannah from Tesco Newcastle.

Having fun in Reception and Primary 1













St. Mary's Aughlisnafin Reception & Primary 1 2024/25

A big welcome to our new pupils and we hope they have a wonderful time in our school.



St Mary's Aughlisnafin Playground Buddies Thank you to the boys and girls who volunteered to be playground buddies and to help the younger pupils be safe and happy while out in the yard. We will be looking for members of our student and eco councils in coming weeks to contribute to the student voice.



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Roald Dahl Day

On the 13th September the children celebrated the splendiferous works of Roald Dahl with crafts, dance, play and story telling.

The boys and girls made their magic medicines inspired by George. Don't they look scrumdiddlyumptious!

Well done boys and girls!



Afterschool Clubs for term 1

Monday—Afterschool Thursday—Afterschool

<u>Tuesday</u>—Kazoku Karate & afterschool <u>Friday</u>—Lego club

Wednesday—Bee Active





Poetry Corner

We are absolutely delighted for the boys and girls who have had their poetry published in a book! The children submitted their work last year to the Young Writers Competition and we are thrilled their poems were chosen to be published. This has been a wonderful way to celebrate the children's creative writing!



More published poets

Well done to Ellen and Maya from Primary 7. The two girls submitted poems for the Once Upon A Dream poetry anthology last year and both of their works were published. Excellent writing girls!



Asda Cashpots For Schools

This is a fantastic way to raise money for our school. Get as many people from your family to sign up. It's so easy to do

- 1.Download and sign up to the Asda rewards app. Opt in for the cash pot for schools campaign and search Aughlisnafin. Select St Mary's PS Aughlisnafin
- 2. Shop in store or online at ASDA Asda will donate a percentage of your shop to our school.
- 3. The money raised will be donated through Parentkind to the school or PTA.













