

DATES FOR THE DIARY
PARENT MEETINGS
21ST-25TH NOVEMBER

OPEN MORNING
28 NOVEMBER
9.15 - 10.30AM

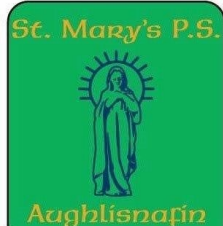
SNOW QUEEN AT LYRIC
6 DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS PLAY
12TH DECEMBER
11.00 AM &
6.00PM

CHRISTMAS DINNER
14TH DECEMBER

SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR
CHRISTMAS
21ST DECEMBER AT 12
NOON

SCHOOL REOPENS FOR
TERM 2



News at Saint Mary's Primary School

Principal's Message

We have had a very busy month as we make our way into November, luckily I have two new helpers with me, Mario and Luigi. This month's newsletter contains details of a few important dates and events which will be happening as we make our way towards Christmas. This week parents from P1—P7 will be given an option to book slots for parent/teacher meetings. We will also be starting preparation for our Christmas play. Please keep an eye on the school website as we regularly post updates to www.stmarysaughliscnafin.co.uk



Festive Flutter

Friends Of The Fin are running a weekly Festive Flutter drawn on the bonus ball from the national lottery. To get involved check out their Facebook for further details. Lots of great prizes for grabs every week. Thank to all involved.



Halloween at the Finn



Smarties Tube Fundraiser

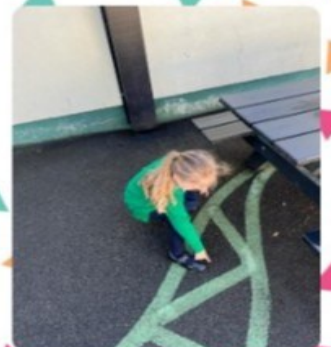
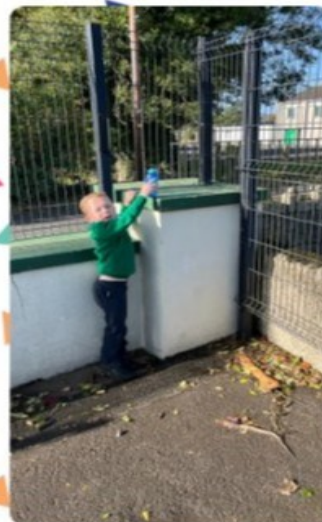
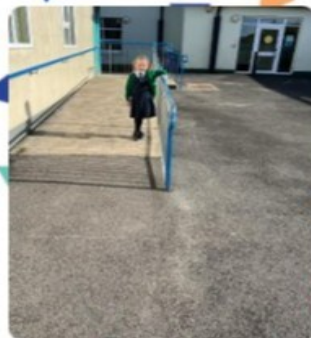
Our Smarties tub fundraiser has finished and we have an amazing grand total. Once again we thank the generosity of all of our parents and we thank The Friends Of The Finn for arranging this event. The class who raised the largest total was the Primary 7



class, they will be receiving a pizza party sponsored by Taste Of New York Pizzeria. The grand total collected was £803.51! An amazing total once again. Well done!



Primary 2/3 on a shape hunt to celebrate Maths Week Ireland



PIC-COLLAGE

Revised Policies on School Website

The following policies have been revised following consultation with staff and governors **Acceptable Use Of The Internet, Critical Incident Policy, ICT Policy, Maths Policy, Pastoral Care Policy, Special Educational Needs and Website Policy**

We are in the process of updating all existing policies and will update you on any future revisions. All policies can currently be found in the Our School section of the website. We value the contributions of our parents and pupils to the policy creation process. Please read the policies and forward any suggested amendments to Mr Murphy at cmurphy699@c2ken.net

Non Uniform Day—Friday 11th November

Emma McKeating from Primary 4 requested earlier this year if we could take part in a fundraising effort to support bowel cancer charities, which her family has sadly been affected by. This Friday pupils may come to school in their own clothes and classes can take part in laps of the school. If your child can bring in a donation on Friday to help this good cause it would be greatly appreciated.

Open Morning—Monday 28th November

If you or a relative have a child starting Primary 1 or who is getting ready for Reception class, St. Mary's is having an open morning on Monday 28th November. This will be a chance for you and your child to see the school, talk to the teacher, Mrs Cahill, and meet Mr Murphy, the principal. The open morning will take place between 9.15am and 10.30am. We look forward to meeting new faces on this day.



Sacramental Dates 2022/23

The dates for the sacraments this year are

Confirmation - 9th March 2023 at 11.00 am
Reconciliation - 25th April 2023 at 11.00 am
First Communion -
 6th May 2023 at
 10.00 am

All services are planned to take place at the local Aughlisnafin church.



BeeActive Afterschool

A reminder to parents that our after school sports club will be changing this week. It will now be on Wednesday and hosted by BeeActive. The cost of the club is £3 per pupil for the hour session. Those wrap-around pupils from Reception to Primary 3 can enjoy 2 hours for the reduced rate of £5. If you have yet to book your place you can contact the school on 02843778460 or email the office on hcairns221@c2ken.net



Holly hits the stage

Congratulations to Hollie Murray, who was performing as one of the orphans in Annie at the Mac Theatre Belfast. We are very proud of you Hollie!



Eco Council 2022/23

Introducing Saint Mary's Eco Council members for 2022/23

P2/3 - Caitlin Cummings & Sofia Ward

P4 - Conan McCartan, Aoife Cummings & Emma McKeating

P5/6 - Kimberley Rice & Clara Cope

P7 - Aoife McKenny, Daniel Stratton & Ciaran Fitzpatrick



Student Council 2022/23

Introducing Saint Mary's Student Council Members for 2022/23

P2/3 - Isabella Jennings & Emma Lee O'Hare

P4 - Adam Brennan & Cara Steele

P5/6 - Kaiden Campbell & Ciarrai Flanagan

P7 - Zach O'Boyle, Kitty McCann & Oisin Campbell

