

DATES FOR THE DIARY

5TH APRIL

**SCHOOL CLOSSES AT
12.00 NOON FOR
EASTER HOLIDAYS**

25TH APRIL

FIRST CONFESSION

6TH MAY

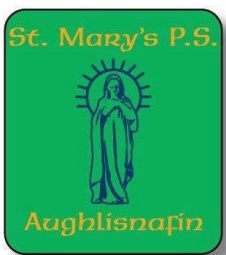
FIRST COMMUNION

**1ST & 2ND MAY
BANK HOLIDAY**

**8TH MAY
BANK HOLIDAY**

**11TH—18TH MAY
BOOK FAIR**

**29TH & 30TH MAY
BANK HOLIDAY**



News At Saint Mary's Primary School

Principal's Message

Hello, we have a lot happening at the school currently, as you can see from the building work currently happening. This will result in upgrades to the playing yard, the back grass area for play and the front wall. We hope that the lion's share will be completed before the pupil's return from their Easter break.

The PTA crowdfunder fundraiser is progressing very well, with £1,373 currently in the crowdfunder total. The national lottery charity board has agreed to add £5,000 to the target if we reach over £2,500 so we are very close to reaching this goal. This will allow more investment in play and sports coaching from Bee Active in 2023/24.

There will be lots of future announcements on school trips and events so keep an eye on the school website and social media for more updates.

Have a happy Easter and enjoy the break.



5 A Side Final

Our 5 a side girls team were brilliantly in the Ulster final. Our girls were triumphant over the best in Fermanagh, Armagh, Tyrone and Antrim, narrowly missing out to Donegal and Derry, it will not be the last time that these girls represent Down. The Aghliscnafin ladies narrowly missed out on the finals due to point average. So proud of the Finn ladies!



Digital leaders assist with ICT



St. Mary's Confirmation 2022/23

The boys and girls in Primary 7 celebrated their confirmation day on 9th March. Well done Primary 7, you are a credit to our school.



SCHOOL WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

Up to date information can be found on our school website www.stmarysaughlisnafin.co.uk or by following St. Mary's on Facebook.

Bee Active Big Workout Day

29th March was the Bee Active Big Workout and all the classes got to experience a few new sports and exercises. We received a very generous £407 in donations on this day and this was added to our sporting crowdfunder. Thank you Anto Moran for organising today's event and all the Bee Active coaches. Bee Active sessions and after-school will resume after mid-term.



Fresh Food Centre Bucket Collection

£537.94 was raised from the bucket collection at Fresh Food Centre, Castlewellan. Thanks to our PTA, Friends of the Fin, and all of our volunteers, this was also added to the sports crowdfunder. Great support!



International Women's Day

On the 8th March the Primary 2/3 class celebrated International Women's Day! The boys and girl celebrated the incredible women who have made a significant impact on our lives and the world!



Green Day

Classes throughout the school wore green on 16th March to celebrate St. Patrick's Day!



World Book Day

All the classes in the school got dressed as their favourite characters on 2nd March to celebrate World Book Day. More photos can be seen on the school website.

Boys 5 A Side

The boys football team played well in Saint Malachy's in a very competitive tournament. A win (Dundrum), a loss (Hilltown) and a draw (Finnis - an honourable result for Mr Morgan)! A consolation ice cream was enjoyed by all. Well done lads!

