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Week beginning Monday May 21st 2018

Thought for the week:

“Blessed are the hearts that can be for they shall never be broken.”

First Holy Communion 2018. Congratulations to all the boys and girls who made their First Holy Communion last weekend. The two Masses were both wonderful occasions with the children being a credit to our school, their families and themselves. It was lovely to see the church full of so many families, all there to share in what is always a really special day. I would ask that everyone keeps the final group of children in their thoughts as they complete preparations for our final Mass this Saturday.

I thanked everyone involved last week but I want to mention again my sincere thanks to the Y3 staff for all they have done in preparing the children. Miss Ward and Miss Riley have worked extremely hard as was evidenced last weekend. Many thanks to both of them; I will write with details of when the certificates are to be given out as soon as our final Mass is over.

Y6&Y3 Mass. Thanks to our Sacramental classes for leading Mass this morning, next Friday 25th our Liturgy will be led by Y5 & Y2.

Term Dates. School breaks up for half term on **Friday May 25th**, returning on **Monday June 4th**. School breaks up for the summer holidays on **Friday July 20th at 1.00pm**, please also note that there are two more Teacher Days this term **Friday June 22nd and Friday July 6th**.

KS 2 SATs. The KS 2 SATs are over for another year. Y6 took the tests this year in the main school hall as a result of all the ongoing building work. They did their best and for that they need to be commended, they turned up on time and have worked really hard all week, well done to each and every one of them.

Many thanks must go to Miss McCarron for all she has done this year in getting our oldest children prepared for the SATs. It is an enormous task as above and beyond the content the children need to know, they also need to be taught the skills needed to successfully take a test. Many thanks to Miss McCarron for all her hard work this year, the results should be back with us sometime in June; these will then be shared with parents in the end of year reports to come home in July.

KS1 SATs. Y2 have been taking their tests over the last two weeks as well, they have been working very hard with Miss Dunne and Mrs Logue. They are nearly finished!! Well done to all of Y2 for trying their best.



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Extra-Curricular Clubs. Due to the building work both at the front/rear of school **we will have to suspend all clubs after half term.** There will be additional vehicles/machinery and work going on after half term which unfortunately means it will prove very difficult to run clubs after school safely. This will only be for the last half term and come September, everything will return to normal as the building work is due for completion at the end of the summer holidays.

Building Update. The first floor and brick work on the new classroom block are now well advanced, the rear playground is having tarmac laid as I write this letter so things are really moving quickly. The storage shed has been relocated and the ground work for the Nursery has been completed, ready for its installation in July/August.

School Bank. Thanks to Mr Connaughton for opening the school bank this morning, new customers are always welcome.

Attendance for week ending May 18th 2018

Year Group	% Attendance
Rec F	97%
Rec W	93%
Y1F	97%
Y1C	98%
Y2L	94%
Y2D	98%
Y3R	97%
Y3W	97%
Y4A	96%
Y4P	99%
Y5	98%
Y6	99%
Weekly Average	97%

Happy Birthday: Adam Olkowski, Diana Timofte, Gracie-Mai Hickey, Kyle Vidanagamage and Osar Was.

Please pray for: The boys and girls in Y3 about to make their First Holy Communion.

Many thanks for your support and cooperation with these matters.

M. Aldred Head Teacher



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