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M O N D A Y N E W S

17th May 2021

The Catechetical Centre is delighted to offer a series of Confirmation Preparation sessions to support schools, parishes and families in the preparation of children for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The sessions will take place via their webcam <https://catecheticalcentre.org/webcam/> from 10am-12noon on Monday 17th May, Tuesday 18th May, Wednesday 19th May & Thursday 20th May.

Murals

We hope to get murals on the paving slabs in the playground and to the front of the school. We would love any ideas from children and families. Please contact the school office with your ideas.

Daily Mile Challenge for Mental Health

From Monday 10th May each class is going to walk one mile each day. Parents can donate via our Go Fund Me page.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/SteelstownPrimarySchool>

Thank you to all of those who have already supported this very worthwhile cause.



Sunflowers symbolise hope and cheer. We in Steelstown are using the sunflower theme to show positivity and hope. "Together we will grow flowers of hope." Thank you to Redcastle Village Community for the very kind donation of 300 Sunflowers. The project is in loving memory of John, Tomás and Amelia Mullan. We look forward to planting and watching our sunflowers grow.

P6 Literacy and Numeracy Club

Primary 6 after-school club is on each day Mon-Thurs from 3-4 pm to offer the Primary 6 children support in Literacy and Numeracy.

Homework Club

Homework Clubs are ongoing each day Monday – Thursday until 4pm for P4 -P7

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is ongoing each day from 08:15am.

Summer School

We hope to run a Summer School from Mid July. Details will follow soon.

Big Pedal Push

Thank you to all staff, Parents and children who took part in 'The Big Pedal'. All your hard work and effort paid off. Steelstown Primary did extremely well and won 4 out of 8 prizes. Well Done Everyone!



Primary 4: Children Liturgy Zoom Sun 16th May @ 1pm.

Please see your child's Seesaw App for the link.

Families Connect

The final Families Connect session is on this Wed 19th May @ 10.45am
Thank you to our parents for all their support

Principal Awards

Congratulations to our Principal Award winners. We are very proud of all your achievements.

Congratulations to Jade in P2

Jade has had her long golden hair cut to fundraise for Little Princess Trust. Well done Jade! We are very proud of you and your achievement.

If you have been identified as a 'close contact' via 'HSCtracing' text or through the StopCOVID app

? What does this mean? Go home → Stay home

Can I go to the shops?	No X
Can I go to work or school?	No X
Can I go out for a walk or exercise?	No X
Can I meet up with friends outside?	No X
Can I go into my garden?	Yes ✓
Can I visit my friends or family?	No X

Does this mean I will definitely get COVID-19? No but you are at risk - a 'close contact' is a person who has been close to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.

How long do I need to stay at home? 10 days. As a close contact you need to self-isolate at home because you are at risk of developing symptoms in the next 10 days and could spread the virus to others before the symptoms begin.

If you develop symptoms book a test.

www.pha.site/coronavirus HSC Public Health Agency

If your child shows any of the Covid 19 symptoms, he/she is to remain at home.

Covid Symptoms:

- Cough
- Temperature
- Loss of taste/ smell

We are all in this together and we will support each other to help keep our community safe and well. We thank you for your support, patience and understanding.

A close contact is:

A person who has been close to a confirmed case from 2 days before the person was symptomatic to 10 days after the onset of symptoms and:

- Lives in the same household
- has travelled in a car with the case OR
- has been within 2 metres of a case for more than 15 minutes OR
- has been within 1 metre of a case and had face-to-face contact including:
 - being coughed on
 - having a face-to-face conversation
 - having skin-to-skin physical contact



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Oratory

The boys and girls will be visiting the Oratory for special Marian prayer services with their classes during the month of May.



Masks

All parents/visitors are recommended to wear a mask where possible in all school areas. Thank you for your cooperation.



P1 and P2 Afterschool Club

Year 1-2 after-school club continues daily for Year 1 and 2 Monday – Friday.

Healthy Snacks for Break-time

Please remind Children to bring in a Healthy snack for break

Cheese/cheese strings	Yogurt	Crackers	One Piece of Fruit
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Derry-Londonderry Primary Schools
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Invite you to participate in a

MENTAL WEALTH – Practical Ideas to enhance your Resilience

The key focus of these sessions is to provide a reflective space focussed on helping you bring some attention to your resilience building on your existing knowledge.

It will be a space to gain insights from practical research from positive psychology and neuroscience.

Exploring Positive techniques to help develop and grow your resilience.....**It will be delivered with humour and kindness.**

Training delivered by Nichola Lynagh & Janette Tweed from LeonEdu.

Dates:- 10th and 17th May 2021 7:00pm – 8:30pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87678070058?pwd=MVdKcHk1VVZBb2hkWmZGa0tpdEdyZz09>

Meeting ID: 876 7807 0058 Passcode: 809287

Session One	Session Two
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding what a Mental Wealth Bank account means and the 'why' for investing in it as Parents/Carers. Boosting Your Happiness Chemicals- Getting the Daily Dose. Understanding the Negativity Bias of the Brain – the 70:30 rule Develop a personal Mental Wealth Plan for you and your Family. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mental Wealth plan will include practical techniques in breathing and managing our internal dialogue. How to grow more compassionate with self and others How to build Resilience as a muscle. Planning and applying Learning – Contract with self.