



# Steelstown Primary School & Nursery Unit

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# M O N D A Y

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## Monday 16th January 2023

### Dates for your Diary

**Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Jan:** P7 Girls to visit St Mary's College. Leaving 9am Sharp.

**Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Jan:** Road Safety Quiz in Guildhall

**Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Jan 1.30-2.30pm:** Nursery & P1 application support sessions

**Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Jan 3.00-4.00pm:** Nursery & P1 application support sessions

**Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Jan:** Cross Country at Oakgrove

**Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> – Sun 29<sup>th</sup> Jan:** Catholic Schools Week

**Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Jan:** Forest Schools – Nursery to visit Belmont Nursery

**Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Jan: 12 Noon:** Online Applications for Nursery & Primary 1 Applicants close

**Sun 29<sup>th</sup> Jan 12.15pm:** P4 DTIM Mass in Our Lady of Lourdes Church

**Mon 30<sup>th</sup> & Tues 31<sup>st</sup> Jan:** Nursery, P1 & P7 Class Photographs by Tempest Photographer.

More details to follow.

**Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Feb:** 12 Noon Post Primary Online portal opens

10.00am: Grandparents Mass in Our lady of Lourdes Church. Refreshments & activities in School Afterwards

**Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Feb:** P7 Transfer Results

**Sun 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 12.15pm:** P4 DTIM Mass in Our Lady of Lourdes Church

**Mon 13<sup>th</sup> – Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Mid Term Break

**Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb:** Ash Wednesday

**Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 5.00pm:** P7 Confirmation in Our Lady of Lourdes Church



### After School Clubs

All Afterschool Clubs resume from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January onwards.

Please note new blocks for children who have signed up to the following clubs in September;

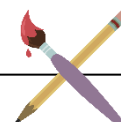
**Swimming** – Tuesdays 3.30-4.00pm  
Block 2: **Yr 4- Yr 7:** Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Jan – 28<sup>th</sup> Mar

**Eco Club** – Wednesdays 3.05 – 4.00pm Term 2: **Yr 3**

**Baking Club** – Thursdays 3.05 -4.00pm

**P7A:** 19<sup>th</sup> Jan – 9<sup>th</sup> Feb

**P7B:** 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb – 16<sup>th</sup> Mar



### Mobile Numbers

Any Parent/Guardian who has changed their mobile number over the Christmas period should contact the Office to update this on our system.



### Nursery & Primary 1 Applications

Online applications for next year's Nursery and Primary 1 children are open and close at Noon on Friday 27th Jan.

If anyone has any questions, do not hesitate to contact the School Office on 02871 351830

Application Support Sessions will be held in school on.

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Jan: 1.30-2.30pm

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Jan: 3.00-4.00pm

For anyone needing assistance completing their application.

Please contact the school office if you wish to attend.

If you haven't applied yet, or if you know anyone who still needs to apply, please see the web address below.

[www.eani.org.uk/admissions](http://www.eani.org.uk/admissions)



### Roots of Empathy

Roots of Empathy will take place each Wednesday in our School Hall from 2-3pm.

More details to follow.

### Makaton Training

Thank you to Greater Shantallow Area Partnership (GSAP) for facilitating Makaton Training for the Staff of Steelstown Primary School.

A great session was enjoyed and appreciated by all staff.

We look forward to our next session. Thank you.

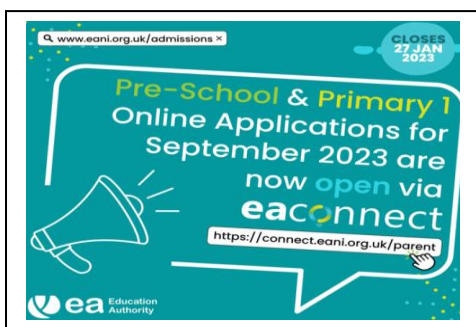
### Families Connect

More information will follow next week about our next Families Connect Sessions.

These sessions have been very popular with our parents in the past.

### Gaelic – Thank you to Steelstown Brian Óg's

Big thank you to Neil Forrester in Brian Óg's for all his support to Steelstown PS. We wish Neil every success. Big welcome to Gary Cunningham, we look forward to working with you.





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### Primary 4 Do This in Memory dates

Sun 29<sup>th</sup> Jan: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun 5<sup>th</sup> Feb: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Mar: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Apr: Psalm Sunday

Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> Apr: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Sun 4<sup>th</sup> June: Thanksgiving Mass



### Attendance & Punctuality

Please make a consistent effort to ensure your child attends school every day and is on time.

Breakfast Club is on each day from 8.15am. It is open to all children & Families.

### After School Clubs

Club	Day	Time
ICT/Mathletics/Accelerated Reader Morning Club Y4 – Y7	Monday - Friday	08:30 – 09:00 a.m.
Homework Club – Y4-Y7	Monday	3.05 – 4.00 p.m.
First Aid Club – Age 6+	Monday	3.05 – 4.00 p.m.
Gaelic Y6-7	Monday	3.05 – 4.00 p.m.
Dance Yr 3-7	Monday	3.05 – 4.00 p.m.
Athletics Cross Country Y4-Y7	Tuesday	8.30 – 9.00 a.m.
Soccer - Y6/Y7 in Shantallow Community Center	Tuesday	3.05 – 4.00 p.m.
Drama Y4-Y7	Tuesday	3.05-4.00 p.m.
Swimming Y4-Y7 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan – 28 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Tuesday	3.30 – 4.00p.m.
Choir Y4-Y7	Tuesday	2.15-3.00 p.m.
Homework Club – Y4-Y7	Wednesday	3.05 – 4.00 p.m.
Eco, Garden & Forest Schools Y3-Y7 Term 2: Y 3	Wednesday	3:05 – 4:00 p.m.
Netball –Y5, Y6 & Y7 in Shantallow Community Center	Wednesday	3.05 – 4.00 p.m.
Traditional Music Y4-Y7	Wednesday	3:05 – 4:00 p.m.
Athletics Cross Country Y4-Y7	Thursday	8.30 – 9.00 a.m.
Arts Club P4 – P7	Thursday	3:05 – 4:00 p.m.
Homework Club – Y4-Y7	Thursday	3.05 – 4.00 p.m.
Cookery Y4-Y7	Thursday	3.05 – 4.00 p.m.
<b>P7A</b> 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan – 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb <b>P7B</b> 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb – 16 <sup>th</sup> Mar		

### Assembly Timetable: January – April 2023

Date	Assembly
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Key Stage 2 Assembly – Mr Lowry P5B
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Principal's Awards
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Key Stage 1 Assembly – Miss O'Kane P3A
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Key Stage 2 Assembly – Mr Hargan P7B
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Principal's Awards
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	Key Stage 1 Assembly – Miss McElhinney P2A
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Key Stage 2 Assembly – Mrs McGlinchey P6B
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Principal's Awards
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Key Stage 1 Assembly – Mr Mulhern P3C
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> Apr	Key Stage 2 Assembly – Mrs O'Neill P2A
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Principal's Awards

All Parents, Guardians and families are very welcome to attend their child's Class Assembly in the School Hall at 9.15am on given dates.

### P7 Medics in Primary Schools

Our Primary 7 boys & girls are looking forward to continuing their Medics in Primary Schools Sessions in collaboration with Queens University.