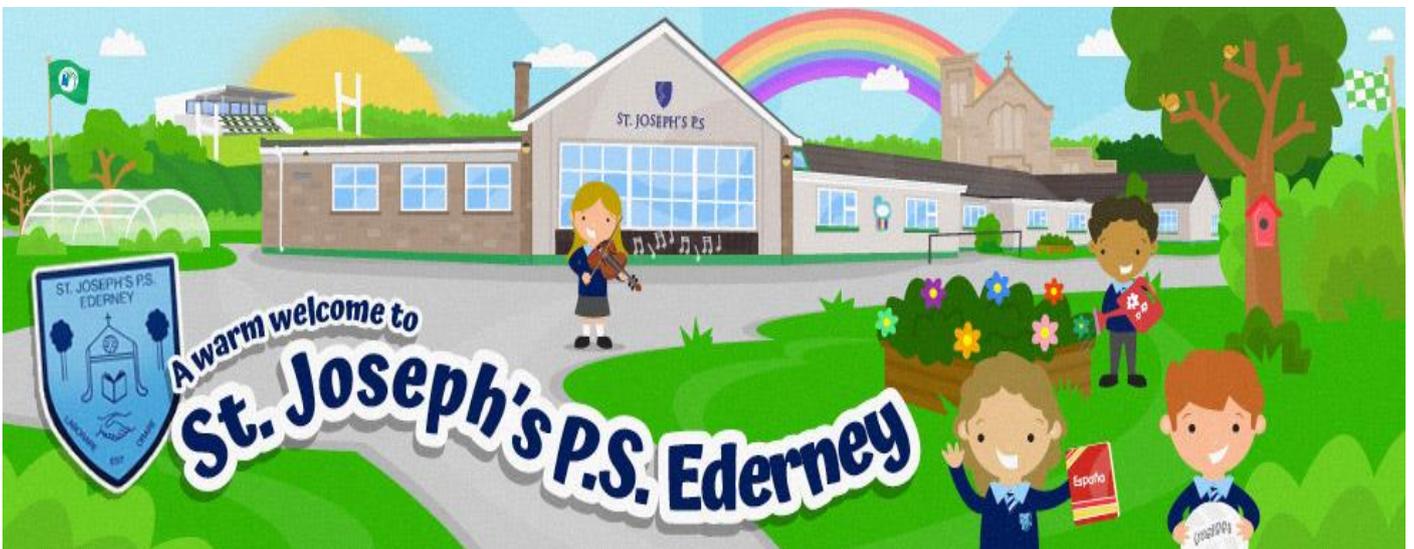


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Newsletter

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Sincere Sympathy

Our school community has been deeply saddened by the recent deaths of two of our colleagues' parents. Mrs. Maguire's father, Anthony Molloy, died on 21st April and Caroline Dilworth's mother, Muriel Cadden, died on 28th May. Our thoughts and prayers are with Mrs Maguire and Caroline at this difficult time.

First Holy Communion

We are all really looking forward to joining our P4 pupils as they receive their First Holy Communion on **Saturday 3rd June** at 11.00am in St. Joseph's Church Ederney. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the school.

It is important that our P5, 6 & 7 pupils attend the choir on this special occasion for our P4 pupils.

Relax Kids

A huge thank you to Mrs Nuala Groogan for delivering Relax Kids to all our pupils. The children all thoroughly enjoyed their sessions of Relax Kids and have learned lots of strategies to help them regulate their emotions.

Fermanagh GAA Coaching

Coaching in Gaelic football with Fermanagh Schools' Coach Johnny Garrity, will continue each Tuesday for P6 & 7 pupils.

After School Cross Country Running and ICT Club

After School Cross Country Running continues until **Monday 12th June** for P4, 5, 6 & 7 boys and girls 2.45pm - 4.00pm.

After School ICT Club will continue each Thursday for P6 & 7 boys and girls, 2.45pm - 4.00pm.

Swimming

Swimming for P7 pupils will continue until **Wednesday 21st June**.

St. Michael's Blitz

We are delighted that the popular St. Michael's P.5 blitz will take place once again this year on **Thursday 8th June**.

Sports Day

We are delighted to be able to invite parents to our Sports' Day on **Friday 16th June**. We hope that the weather will be kind to us and that the sun will shine, however if it is very wet we will postpone to another date. We ask all pupils to wear their PE gear to school **every day** that week. We also hope to run the Neal Walsh tournament beginning **Monday 12th June** with the finals taking place on Sports' Day afternoon **Friday 16th June**.

Nursery Graduation

Best wishes and congratulations to our Nursery pupils who will graduate on **Wednesday 14th June**. Thank you to Mrs. Mc Teague for all her hard work this year.

P1 Induction

Our current Nursery pupils will be visiting the P1 class during their normal hours on **Tuesday 27th June**. Nursery parents are invited on the same day at 2pm for an Induction Meeting.

Free School Meals

If you feel your child is entitled to free school meals, it is **vital**ly important that you make an application to the Education Authority, to register your child. Even if your child does not want to take school dinners please apply anyway, as this has a major impact on our school budget. Please note that if your child currently receives Free School Meals, or a school uniform grant, **you must re-apply again for the forthcoming school year**. Applications must be made directly to the Education Authority. Further details can be found online at:

<http://www.eani.org.uk/i-want-to/apply-for-free-school-meals-and-or-school-uniform/> or by phoning 028 82 411411.

Home to School Transport - Apply Today

The online Home to School Transport application process for Primary and Post Primary applications is now open.

Visit www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/home-to-school-transport for more information and to use the eligibility checker.

Please note, if you already avail of Home to School Transport and have not moved home or changed schools then you so not need to reapply.

Friends of St. Joseph's PTA

We are extremely grateful to our parent fundraising group who held a very successful Car Wash on **Saturday 27th May**. It was fantastic to see our parents, past pupils and local community supporting the Car Wash and we are very appreciative of all who volunteered to help on the day. The proceeds of the Car Wash will be spent developing our 'Outdoor Learning Area' which the children are really enjoying.

Sun Cream and Water

It's fantastic to see this beautiful weather and the children are really enjoying outdoor play. Please ensure your child is wearing suncream and has a water bottle with them to prevent sun damage and dehydration.

School Trip

Your child will have received a note home regarding their end of year trip. If all monies could be paid to the office by Friday 9th June so we can confirm numbers for buses.

School Holidays

School will close **Friday 30th June at 12 noon**. There will be no buses at 12 noon so please arrange for your child/children to be collected.

Dates for Diary

First Holy Communion - 3rd June

Cross Country in Bawnacre - Thursday 15th June

Primary 1-5 school trip Lurgybrack Farm - 19th June

Primary 6-7 trip to Lagan Valley - 22nd June

Swap Over Day - 27th June

P7 pupils visit Mount Lourdes, St. Michael's College, St. Mary's, Enniskillen Royal Grammar School and Integrated School - 27th June

End of Year Mass - 28th June