



January 2015

The PTA have raised the following in the first term:-

Halloween Disco - £740.15

Table Quiz - £482.70

Movie Night - £350.85

Christmas Raffle - £536.40

To date, our PTA has bought the following:-

Halloween Parade Prizes - £26.00

Outdoor Play Equipment - £514.00

Outdoor Bins - £305.98

The PTA would also like to thank the following businesses for their kind donations:-

**Four Star Pizza
The High Kings Management
Inner Balance
Spar Whiteabbey
Sozo Restaurant
Ottoman Barber Shop**

**Tesco Express Monkstown
Lyric Theatre
Funky Monkeys
Kinara Restaurant
Dundonald International Icebowl
Paula's Beauty Clinic**

Confirmation

Prayer Service of Light

Parents of P7 confirmandi are invited to a Prayer Service of Light in the school on Tuesday 20th January at 2.15pm.

The sacrament of Confirmation

The parishes of Saint James and Greencastle will celebrate the sacrament of confirmation at 11.00am on Saturday 7th February 2015 in the church of Saint Mary, Star of the Sea, Whitehouse.

Parents, can I ask for your help, please?

This year the sacrament of confirmation will be received by the children on Saturday 7th February and if you read the item above you will see the details.

What is needed at this time is for children who would like to sing in the choir, preferably from P5-P6, to volunteer and let Mr Nolan and Mr Jones know as soon as possible.

Of course because the day of confirmation is Saturday, it would mean that the children would have to give up what they normally do on this morning and not only the children but their parents too....for lifts would be needed to and from the church. Think about it, please, and any help would be gratefully received. Remember, P6 children, next year will be your turn and you will appreciate a choir to help for your big day too.

Year Seven Retreat

In preparation for Confirmation, the Year Seven children will be attending a retreat on Friday 16 January in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre on the Glen Road.

Year One Phonics Workshop

The Year One Phonics Workshop will take place on Wednesday 14 January at 1.30pm and will be repeated at 6.30pm.

Artsekta

On Thursday 22 January, Years 1 to Year 7 will take part in a one day cultural arts workshop - 'One World Day'. This will be facilitated by Arksekta. The children will receive an introduction to a variety of countries culture such as India, China and Japan. They will be given a short time to explore the culture, heritage, folklore, dance, music and legends of these countries.

Building work in school

Due to the building work in school, the school will be closed to cars every morning from 8.30am Monday 12th January until Easter time. To avoid congestion for our neighbours in King's Walk, parents should park in Fernagh Road and walk the children into school. We appreciate that the building work is an inconvenience, however we have no control as to when the work is completed. We will endeavour to ensure any disruption is kept to a minimum.

Thank you for your help and cooperation.

Mid-term break

School will close on Friday 13th February at 12 noon and reopen on Monday 23rd February at the normal time.