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Dear Parents, 12<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Welcome to the start of a new year and a new academic term. I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of all staff, to wish you and your family health and happiness for 2023. Congratulations to all our pupils from Primary 1 to Primary 7 who performed our brilliant Christmas Show "The Hoity Toity Angel" and thanks to all our staff for preparing and supporting the children with their preparations for this wonderful Christmas Performance.

I would like to take this opportunity to very much thank all our parents, families and members of our school community who supported our Christmas Raffle, we raised an outstanding amount of £1400.00. I would like to pay tribute to our pupils who worked extremely hard to sell tickets and I would also very much like to thank the members of the "Friends of St. Teresa's" who helped prepare the fabulous Christmas Hampers.

The amount raised is a testament of our school family's commitment, dedication and generosity to St. Teresa's Primary School, Tullyherron.

We plan to purchase new Reading and Literacy Resources which will be very beneficial to all our pupils in the Foundation Class, KS1 and KS2 classes.

## Admission of New Pupils 2022/23

RECEPTION & PRIMARY ONE APPLICATIONS FOR 2023/24: Online applications for Reception and Primary One children via the Education Authority's website (www.eani.org.uk/admissions) are available to complete from **Tuesday 10th January 2023 until 27th January 2023 (12 noon)**. We have posted a short video on our website which will give parents a glimpse of life in our school with information included regarding the admissions process. Please encourage all prospective parents/guardians to visit our website to learn more about our school.

## Below is list of Events and School Holidays for Term 2 and Term 3 2023:

Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> January-27 <sup>th</sup>	Reception and Primary One Admission Applications are available
January 2023	online (www.eani.org.uk/admissions)

Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> January - Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Healthy Kidz Coaching resumes for Term 2, cost per pupil is £1.50 each week on the Healthy Kidz App. (A total of 12 weeks)
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> January	The Relax Kids Programmes resumes for Term 2, Further Information will Follow
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	P5, 6 & 7 pupils attend the Newry and Mourne District Council "Bee Safe" Event in Lislea Community Centre.
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	Catholic Schools Week - "Walking Together in Faith and Love"
Tuesday 31st January	P6-P7 Boys Indoor Gaelic Competition in Silverbridge GAA Centre
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	P5-P7 Girls Indoor Gaelic Competition in Silverbridge GAA Centre
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February - 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Primary 7 Post-Primary Admission applications are available online - ( <a href="https://www.eani.org.uk/admissions">www.eani.org.uk/admissions</a> )
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> February - 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Finton Burns GAA Spring Coaching Sessions begin for P.5, 6 & 7 pupils, pupils bring their PE Gear into school on Wed.
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February -	Mid-Term Holidays (Inclusive)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	School re-opens on Monday 20th February
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Shared Education Activities with Mountnorris P.S. for all Classes From Reception to Primary 7 from 9.30am to 12.00noon.

Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	World Book Day-Pupils are invited to dress-up as a Book Character
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> March – School closes at 1.30pm	Green Day - Pupils are invited to dress in Green and we also invite all children who attend Irish Dancing classes to demonstrate some of these traditional dances in school. School closes at 1.30pm, the school bus will be available at this time.
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	St. Patrick's Day Celebrations- School is Closed and re-opens on Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> March
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	KS1 and KS2 Shared Education Trips with Mountnorris P.S.
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March – Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	The Travelling Book Fair will be visiting our school, pupils will be invited to purchase books. Children may use their World Book Day Vouchers.
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> April @ 10.30 am - Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays begin on Holy Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> April @ 10.30 am - Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> April (Inclusive) School re-opens on Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> and Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	May Bank Holiday and Staff Training
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	The Sacrament of First Holy Communion
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Bank Holiday

Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	The Sacrament of Confirmation
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	May Bank Holiday
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Summer Holidays - School finishes at 10.30am

Thank-you for your continued support and co-operation, Yours Faithfully, Sinéad Mc Court