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Dear Parents/Carers:

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Lent and Trocaire

During Lent we will be encouraging all the children to bring in small change each week for the Trocaire Boxes in each class. We will also continue our annual competition of guessing "How Many Sweets in the Jar?" to help raise money for this year's Trocaire campaign.

The tickets are sold by the Primary 7 Pupils, they cost 20p each and can be bought by the children during Break and Lunch times. All pupils will also be entered into the large Easter Egg Raffle as part of this activity.

<u>The Travelling Book Fair</u>

The Travelling Book Fair will be visiting our school on Thursday 29th February for 1 week. Pupils will be invited to purchase books from the Book Fair during the school day, at times allocated for each class. The children may use their World Book Day Vouchers. <u>The Book Fair will open for parents each afternoon, from Monday 4th to Wednesday 6th</u> <u>March from 1.30pm to 3pm.</u>

The Sacrament of First Penance

The Sacrament of First Penance will take place for our Primary 4 pupils on <u>Wednesday 6th</u> <u>March at the 10.00am mass in St.Teresa's Church Tullyherron.</u>

We welcome all Primary 4 parents to this very special ceremony and we invite all parents to the school after this special ceremony for some light refreshments. We ask **all pupils** to wear their full school uniform.

<u>World Book Day</u>

To promote World Book Day, we are asking the children to come into school dressed as a character from a story/book they have read on <u>Friday 8th March</u>. This is always a very popular and enjoyable day in St. Teresa's, we will be organising a variety of fun activities on the day. The pupils may dress up as characters such as Cinderella, Snow-White and many other Fairy Tale Characters. Fun Characters, such as Horrid Henry and Where's Wally. Characters from our KS1 and KS2 novels written by many famous authors, such as, Roald Dahl, Michael Morpurgo and David Walliams! To further celebrate this event, children will be asked to complete only reading homework.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation is taking place on Wednesday 13th March at 11am in St. Teresa's Church, Tullyherron. Further information will be provided to our Primary 7 pupils, parents and sponsors and to our choir members at a later date. <u>The school is closed on this day.</u>

St.Patrick Day Celebrations

To celebrate the feast of St. Patrick all children may come into school wearing "green" on <u>Friday 15th March</u>. We invite all children who attend Irish Dancing classes to demonstrate some of these traditional dances and we also invite children who play an Irish Instrument to display their talents during this special day. The school will be closed on Monday 18th March for the Feast of St. Patrick and on Tuesday 19th March for staff training. <u>School re-opens on Wednesday 20th March</u>.

NSPCC Speak Out, Stay Safe Workshops

The NSPCC will visit the KS1 and the KS2 Classes on <u>Friday 22nd of March</u> to deliver workshops on their "**Speak Out, Stay Safe"** Programme. These workshops will be extremely beneficial for our pupils. Further information will follow.

Malachy Mc Geeney Mixed Teams Gaelic Competition

St. Teresa's, Tullyherron will host for a second year, the "Malachy Mc Geeney Mixed Teams Competition" on Tuesday 26th March at 10am to 12noon in St. Killian's GAA Grounds, Whitecross. Our football team will look forward to participating in this competition.

Easter Egg Hunt, Draw and Raffle

On Monday 25th March our annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place, as well as our Easter Egg Draw and Raffle.

Noel Lyons 3 R's Environmental Workshop

In preparation for the "Green Flag" Award, Noel Lyons will visit the Foundation, KS1 and KS2 Classes to deliver his 3 R's Environmental Workshops on Wednesday 27th March from 9am to 2.30pm.

<u>Easter Holidays</u>

On Thursday 28th March at 10.30am, the school will close for the Easter Holidays, it will re-open on Monday 8th April for the third Term.