

St.Teresa's Primary School

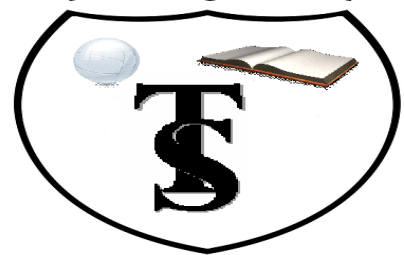
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Principal:

Mrs Sinead Mc Court

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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you have all had a very enjoyable and relaxing Summer, I welcome back all our pupils and a special welcome to our Primary One pupils.

Below is some information for our Autumn Term.

P1/P2 After-School Club

St. Teresa's are very fortunate to be able to offer after-school club provision. This is offered from 1.35 pm until 2.35 pm. The cost is £2.00 per day or £8.00 per week for each child and all children are entitled to attend. To reserve a place please contact the school on the day you wish to avail of this service.

Mrs Reavey our school secretary will be available in the office each Monday morning at 8.30 - 8.45 am for collection of dinner money, milk money and after school money.

Morning Break and Lunchtime

We operate a healthy eating policy in school at breaktime. We recommend you send a piece of fruit and a bottle of water or milk (no juice please) with your child/ren for their morning break on Mondays and Tuesdays. We will provide fruit for the children at breaktime from Wednesday to Friday, this will commence on 11th September as part of our Extended School's Programme.

At lunchtime you may wish your child to have a hot meal from the main dining room. A menu will be available outlining the main meals for the month and each meal costs **£2.40** per day. Alternatively, you can provide your child with a packed lunch, which will be eaten in the classroom, under

supervision. We would ask you not to send glass bottles to school. Cartons, beakers or plastic bottles are much safer.

Milk Monday is 95p each week and needs to be paid at the beginning of each month to Mrs Reavey.

Sickness procedures

Please send your child to school every day unless he/she is sick. Please contact the school on the morning of sickness to advise your child is unwell. We will be continuing to promote full attendance this year by awarding prizes and certificates for full attendance this school year.

Sporting Activities

Swimming commences for P4-P7 pupils on Friday 5th September from 11am-12noon and will continue each Thursday afternoon this term. Price per pupil is £1.35.

Gaelic Coaching commences on Friday 5th September from 1.30pm-2.15pm for P4-P7 pupils and will continue each Friday afternoon this term. Price per pupil is 50p.

Pupils can wear their P.E. uniforms on these days.

Pupil of the Week

Pupil of the Week, our Reward System, will be continued this year. Each Monday at our Assembly a pupil from each class will be chosen by their class teacher as "Pupil of the Week" for following our Golden Rules, working very hard in class, completing all homework activities and being present in school all week. These children will receive a certificate, their photograph will be displayed in the entrance hall, they will be given other rewards by their class teacher, including a homework pass to use on an evening of their choice.

Extended School's Programme

As part of our Extended School's Programme, after school classes will commence on Monday 8th September for P4-P7 pupils from 2.35pm-3.35pm. The focus will be on the core Curriculum areas-Literacy and Numeracy and will be very beneficial to our pupils.

Mrs Kelly will provide this class to the P4 & P5 pupils and Mrs Mc Court will provide the class to P6 & P7 pupils.

As the bus service will be no longer available at this time, the pupils participating will need to be collected by parents/carers.

If you wish your child to attend these classes please inform the class teacher by Friday 5th September.

School Uniform

All our pupils are looking extremely smart in their new school uniforms, I would like to thank you for your support on this matter. Please ensure that each part of your child/ren's uniform is labelled so the children can easily recognise their own uniform.

P.E. uniform to be worn only on P.E. days. Class teacher will advise parents these days.

Dates to remember:

Wednesday 29 th October- Friday 1st November	Halloween Holidays
Wednesday 29 th October	Parent/Teacher Meetings
Monday 9 th December-Staff Training	School Closed
Monday 23 rd December @ 10.30	School Closed for Christmas Holidays School re-opens on Monday 6 th January

Yours faithfully

Sinead Mc Court