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Principal: Mrs AM Kealey BA Hons (ED) PQH NI

#### WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 16th September 2019

Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Morning Assembly
Tues 17th Sept	Morning Assembly
Weds 18 <sup>th</sup>	Traditional Music lessons with Mr. Glasgow
Sept	Gaelic coaching with Michaela P5-P7 (Morning)
	<ul> <li>Literacy/Numeracy Transfer Club P7s</li> </ul>
Thurs 19th	<ul> <li>Gaelic/Fundamental movement skills coaching with</li> </ul>
Sept	Martin P1-P4 (Morning)
	<ul> <li>A/S Dance Club 2:30-3:30pm-P1-4</li> </ul>
	3:30-4:30pm-P5-7
Friday 20th	Morning Awards Assembly
Sept	Spanish with Christina P1-P7



# Dates for your diary:

### WEDNESDAY 18th SEPTEMBER

PTA' Friends of St. Matthew's' are meeting at 6:30pm in St. Matthew's P.S. We would love as many of our parents especially new parents to come along and support our school. Your help and fundraising ideas would be greatly appreciated!

## Sat 16th May: First Holy Communion

#### Please Note:

Skill Schools NI will commence on Monday 23rd September for P1-P7 children.





Breakfast Club runs every day from 8am costing £1 per day or £4 per week. Friday is 'Hot-Dog' Friday, children can purchase hot-dogs for £1.

Fruit Club runs every day at a cost of 30p per day, £1.50 per week.

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### Reminders:

- Please return annual school outings/trip consent forms as soon as possible to the school office.
- Please inform us if any of your details such as contact details or address have changed.
- Uniforms-please label all items of clothing, all children must have a pair of indoor shoes/plimsolls to change into on arrival to school
- Free School Meals- Registration for free school meals: Remember to reapply every year. Until official notification, parents/carers must meet the cost of the meals. Not sure if you are eligible? Apply and see!
- New P1s will all remain in school until 2:30pm from Monday 23rd September
- Children from P5-7 who have written permission may walk home. All children will be escorted to the bottom of the school lane by teachers and crossed over the road by Mrs Feeney.
- Please ensure your child has coat with them to school each day as it's important that children get outside to play as often as possible when it's dry.

#### School Attendance



#### Attendance Matters: Advice from DENI

How can parents/carers help?

- Establish a good routine in the mornings and evenings so your child is prepared for the school day ahead.
- Make sure your child goes to school regularly and follows the school rules.
- Ensure your child arrives at school on time not late.
- Arrange dental and medical appointments outside school hours when possible.
- Always inform the school if your child is absent due to illness this should be followed up with a written note when your child returns to school.
- Do not take family holidays during term time.
- Talk to your child about school and take an interest in their school work (including homework).
- Attend parent's evenings and school events.
- Praise and reward your child's achievements at school.
- Always support school staff in their efforts to control difficult or challenging behaviour.

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# School lane, Parking & Collection Reminders

## P1/P2 children must be collected from school foyer at all times

For your children's safety please make sure they **walk** and you accompany them down our lane. It is very tempting for them to run ahead, but the end of the lane is very dangerous and busy with traffic!

Vehicles are not permitted on the lane at start/end of day to pick up and drop off children. These rules are in place to keep everyone safe, please adhere to them.



Many thanks for your support

Mrs AM Kealey

Principal