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First Ever **Guest Tea**

Sincere thanks to everyone who hosted a table at our First Ever Guest Tea in St. Patrick's Hall on Friday night and to all who attended as guests and helped us fundraise for our wee children.

The night was such a success due to the hard work of our PTFA and also due to the talents of our children ably directed by our staff. Special mention to Mrs D Doherty (Music Leader and FS Choir Leader), Mrs S Vaughan (KS1 Choir Leader), Mrs Deery (KS2 Choir Leader), Ms Edel Strawbridge (EA Strings Tutor), Mr Derek Mc Gillian (EA Brass Tutor), Miss C Hutton (Year 1 Teacher), Non Teaching Staff (who hosted a table) and also helped with children, Mrs Berni Allen



(Chair of Governors) who all represented our school so well on the night ... giving of their time! Very much appreciated. Thanks also to our community guests Euphoria Cheerleading Group and to the pupils of Holy Cross College and Class Act. Their contribution to our night's entertainment was invaluable! Special thanks also to Friends of Knockavoe for hosting their table. Parents, pupils, staff, governors and community were all working together..... the spirit of family and community..... what St. Catherine's is all about!

We will let you know exactly how much was raised for our little pupils funds in next week's note!

PATHS NEWS!

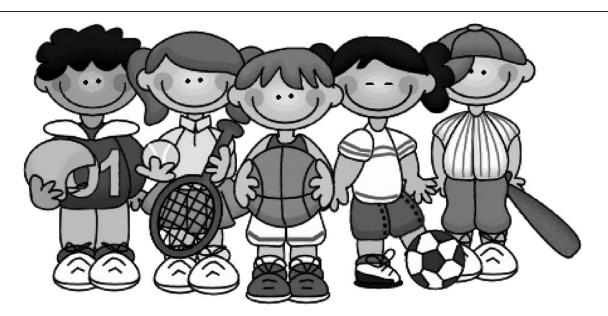
This Year the Annual Worldwide PATHS Conference is in Ireland. As part of that conference the founder of the PATHS Programme, Dr. Mark Greenberg (Pennsylvania State University) will be coming to Ireland.

As you are aware, St. Catherine's Nursery and Primary School is a PATHS Model School and as a result, special visitors from the conference will be coming to visit our school on Monday 17th June. We are so excited. They will observe the excellent practice that happens in our school to develop Social and Emotional Learning for our pupils using the PATHS Teaching Programme. We feel honoured to have these special visitors and are so excited to show them all our hard work!

They will be arriving to the Junior Site on this morning. Unfortunately due to the fact that we are creating an exhibition for the visitors on the Junior Site, there will be NO BREAKFAST Club on the site on that morning however parents are welcome to take their children to the Senior Site for Breakfast if they wish!

We will keep you updated on the outcome of the visit.





Sports Day Success

Well we finally got out Sports Day events completed for all our little children despite the weather! Many thanks to parents for their patience, understanding and support while we had to reschedule due to adverse weather!

Well done to Mrs O'Kane (PE/ Health and Safety Leader) who organises all aspects of Sports Day... a lot of hard work goes into this and it is so much appreciated!

Welcome to all our Little Nursery Children who will be starting in September!

We are so excited to welcome all our new pupils who will be starting their education journey in Nursery in September.

As part of our welcome we will be having Induction Meetings with our new pupils and their parents on Monday 17th June and Tuesday 18th June. Letters will be sent out with appointment times for one of these days to each new pupil's home. Our CURRENT Nursery children should be collected at 12.45pm on this day to facilitate the Induction for next year's pupils. Many thanks.

Exciting times!



Mobile Phones

As you are aware. We have a mobile phone policy. If parents insist on their children having access to mobile phones before and after school, then pupils

who have had parental permission MUST hand in the mobile phone to the Senior School Office first thing in the morning where it will be stored (locked away safely) until the end of the day when it can be collected again.

It has come to our attention, that some children do not hand in their phones or sometimes use them on school property before handing them in. For Child Protection and Safeguarding reasons we respectfully request that all phones be handed in immediately on arrival to school.

If a child is found to have a mobile phone which has not been handed in, it

will be confiscated and their parent contacted (as is our policy).

We appreciate your understanding and support in this very important safeguarding matter.

We also respectfully remind all adults that mobile phones should not be used on school property in the presence of children for Child Protection and Safeguarding reasons. We thank you sincerely for your understanding and support!

MORE Uniform NEWS!!

As you know, our Uniform Supplier is SELECT KIDZ who are based in Derry.

They have asked us to let parents know that they have now moved premises to their new shop at 105 Spencer Road, Derry BT47 6AE.

SUMMER DEALS for UNIFORM

Boys Deal:

Deal 1: Jumper, trousers and tie = £25

Deal 2: Jumper, trousers, two shirts and tie= £34

Girls Deal:

Deal 1: Jumper. Skirt, tie = £42

Deal 2: Jumper, skirt, two blouses, tie= £53

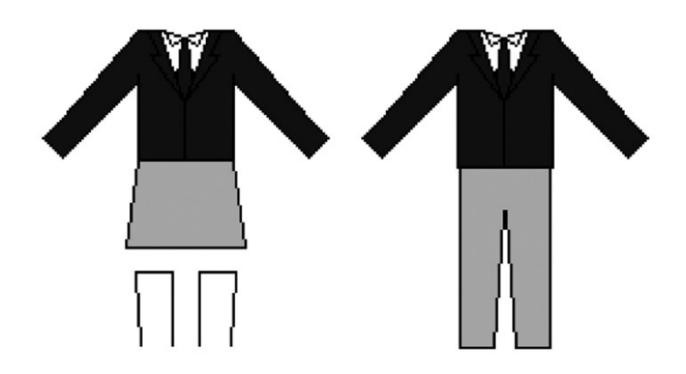


The staff from Select Kidz will be running a Uniform Savings Club again this year in St Catherine's for any parent who would like to join. Parents report to us evey year that they like the idea of saving for the uniforms and for getting the chance to fit children with items in the school.

To this end, Staff from SELECT KIDZ will visit our school on the following dates to run the Uniform Savings Club:

Wednesday 19th June 9.30am-10.30am in the Assembly Hall in the JUNIOR SCHOOL

Wednesday 26th June 9.30am-10.30am in the Assembly Hall in the JUNIOR SCHOOL





Prayer of the Month for June

Dear Lord

If I am wrong, right me,

If I am Lost, Guide me.

If I start to give up, keep me going.

Lead me in light and love.

Amen





PATHS Programme in St. Catherine's

(Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies)

PATHS Quote of the Month - June

- P Problem solve
- A Always try to make good choices
- T Treat others the way you would like to be treated
- **H** Help out
- **S** Show your kindness







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