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## We share Parent Information: Monday 6th January 2020

On behalf of the staff, I would like to offer our sincere thanks for the generosity of parents and families before Christmas. Very thoughtful cards, messages, gifts and donations to our charities were beyond all expectations and again we would like to express our gratitude. May 2020 be good to you all!

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Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Staff Development Day					
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	School reopens for all pupils – normal school day					
	Mr Friel (Principal, St Pius X College) visiting & meeting Y6 & 7 pupils re Open Day					
	Registration for Y1 Sept 2020 opens online at www.eani.org.uk					
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Y7 South Derry football skills test (4 boys)					
Thur 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Treat Thursday! Bring a small bar/packet of crisps to eat along with your break					
	Mrs Graffin & Miss Gribbin reviewing Child Protection arrangements (annual audit)					
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Walking bus leaving Broagh Village at 8.30am					
	Assembly & Awards from home					
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup>	Parent & Toddlers starts again 9.15-11am. Everyone welcome – spread the word!					
Jan	• Y7 swimming. Gears, goggles, towel & £1 for locker. Parentpay £2.50 pw, £25 for term					

Important dates for P6&7 pupils & their parents: Open Days for Post Primary Schools						
St Pius X College	Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> January 9.30 – 1.30pm					
St Patrick's College	Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> & Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan from 16:30 – 18:30 in St Mary's Building.					
	Also Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 10:00 in St Patrick's Building					
Rainey Endowed School	Thur 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan at 7pm (For pupils from NRPS)					
St Mary's GS Magherafelt	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> & Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2020 at 7pm					

## Reminder of dates for Class assemblies 2019-20:

All begin at 9.30am. Y4 will perform First Confession & Communion plays for the school at dates tbc. Y2 assembly will be incorporated into mass in May.

Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> June
Year 6	Year 7	Year 5	Year 2 (mass)	Year 3	Year 1

- PARENTPAY reminder: all dinners must be booked and paid before 9.30am, otherwise we will assume your child is taking lunch. Breakfast & Afterschool – some families are not booking. We understand family life is very busy. However, it is becoming increasingly difficult for office staff to have to backtrack to bill families and we need your support. Remember to prebook and pay. Book in advance if helps. If you child is not booked in afterschool, we will assume their collector has forgotten to pick them up & contact the parent.
- Our final week before Christmas saw some great achievements, including a lovely celebration of Christmas at New Row, families participating in the Advent prayer service, super Term 1 AR achievement for Y4-7 and Ryan (Y7) & Riley (Y4) winning Credit Union Art Comp prizes. This was topped off by a very successful Disco, organised by FoNR, raising over £1,000! Another board is on order! What an end to 2019! Many thanks for your continued support

## **Mrs Deirdre Graffin**

## Is your child starting school in Sept 2020? Online applications open Tues 7th Jan 2020

If you were unable to attend our open day, you are very welcome to arrange a time for a tour and chat with the principal. The closing date and time for primary one applications is 12.00 midnight on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> **January 2020**. If you need any advice or have any queries, please contact the school asap.

- 1. Read the admissions criteria
- 2. Apply online https://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions
- 3. Bring documents to your 1st choice school before Fri 7th Feb