



MERCY NEWSLETTER

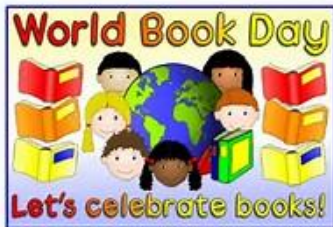


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Dear Parents and pupils,
We are glad to see a stretch in the evenings and signs of Spring beginning, despite the snow and cold temperatures!!!
We are all busy in class this term and are looking forward to our new topics.
Mrs Loughran



World Book Day will be celebrated on Thursday 1st March. Pupils may dress up as a character or in their own clothes

for the day. We are having a Book Quiz, and Parent Volunteers are coming to school to read story books to pupils. Speak with Ms Owens if you would like to join in!



Our school book fair has been on this week and we are delighted that you continue to support us so well.

Allen and Overy

Allen and Overy, will come to celebrate world book day on Thursday 1st March with our Primary 5 Time to Read class. We can't wait to see what they have in store for us this year.
We are delighted to continue our partnership with Business in the community.

International Women's Day

International Women's Day (March 8th) is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. We will be delighted to be joined by women who are past pupils of our school and great examples to us all.
Nichola Mallon, politician, Molly Martin, illustrator and Suzanne



Savage, singer and musician will be here with us celebrating International Women's Day.

ST PATRICK'S DAY

Our school St Patrick's Day Celebration will be on Friday 16th March 2018. Pupils may dress in green on our celebration day. This is a school event and due to space restrictions parents cannot attend, however staff may put videos on class Do-Jo or school website for you to enjoy.



IMPORTANT NOTICE – school will be closed on Monday 19th March for St Patricks Day!

First Confession

Primary 3 will make their First Confession at 10.30 on Wednesday 21st March 2018. Parents are invited to come along and are welcome to take their children home after the celebration.

INTERNET SAFETY



In response to concerns raised - Parents please note that apps Music.ly live.ly and Roblox have been identified as particularly dangerous for young children and are known to have adults contacting children on their phones.

AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

This term after school's clubs are continuing with drumming, netball, gymnastics and art. Our parent classes have been going brilliantly with lots of cooking, crafts and hairdressing activities. Phonics workshop will take place on 13th March 2018 from 1-2pm for parents.



Zoo Lab

Zoo Lab will be visiting our school on 15th March for some hands on animal fun! Spiders and snakes. It promises to be very exciting. Pupils are asked to bring £1 towards the visit costs.

Shared Education



We are very excited to be working on a shared education Project with Edenbrooke Primary School this year. Primary 7 pupils will be getting together with their counterparts at Edenbrooke to explore numeracy , literacy, art and our locality.



Once a week take a Peek!

Head lice are easily spread in schools. They can be prevented through regular combing with a fine comb such as Nitty Gritty and keeping hair tied back.

STEM Final

Some of our Key stage 2 pupils will be taking part in the STEM Harbour Commission Stem Final on Thursday 8th March. Good Luck Girls!

Belfast Hills Partnership

Belfast Hills partnership will be visiting with our P7 pupils on Monday 5th March 2018. P7 pupils will be making plant pots and mini meadows in an art activity which will then expand to gardening.

Do this in Memory of Me Programme

Our preparation for First Communion continues for P4 at Holy Cross Church on Sunday at 12. Fr Eugene has requested that all the children go up to the Altar during the Our Father to take part in the Mass. We would urge all those families who haven't managed to attend to do so in these last few masses before first Communion.

Dates for Your Diary

26 th -Feb 2 nd March	-	Scholastic Book Fair at school all week!
1 st March (Thursday)		World Book Day- Dress Up Day
6 th March		Shared Education Day P7 Edenbrooke Primary School
8 th March		International Women's Day STEM Final Challenge
13 th March		Shared Education Day P7 Mercy Primary School
16 th March		- St Patrick's Day Concert Wear Green
19 th March		Friday St Patrick's Day School closed
21 st March-		First Confession P3 10.30 am
13 th - 16 th March		School Nurse Visits to P1
29 th March		Easter Holidays begin 12pm No Lunches on this day.
10 th April		Tuesday -10 th April School starts back after Easter
16 th 17 th April		Science Stars
20 th April		TREK Day