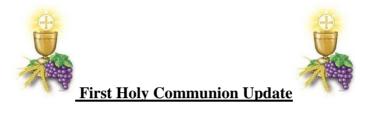
News Update - 14.5.21

Dear Parents,

As we proceed well into Term three, please find below our most recent information update:



First Holy Communion is scheduled to take place in St. Joseph's Church on **Saturday 15th May at 11.00a.m**. Can we please ask for all Communicants to be seated for <u>10.50a.m</u>.

The Friends of Committee had really hoped that yesterday's Stormont announcement would have presented a relaxation of the outdoor gathering rules. This has not happened and therefore we are unable to provide tea after Holy Communion on Saturday. The Friends of Committee are going to provide school with some lovely treats for the First Holy Communicants to enjoy at their party in school on Monday.

All staff and members from our wider community wish all our P4 pupils the very best for their special day.



Our Professional photographer will be present before and after the Communion service, for those of you who have booked your slot.

In keeping with current guidelines can we please advise you to remain in your car and a member of staff will come to you at your allocated time to have your photographs taken on the school premises.

We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



Reminder our Book Fair will return on <u>20th May</u> for a further week. Mrs Magowan our Literacy Coordinator will provide you shortly with a link on the website to view the books available. Payment methods will follow the same process as in Term one.



We are pleased to say we are planning school trips for each of our classes. Educational trips are permitted as long as Covid regulations are adhered to, alongside rigorous risk assessments. We will update you in due course when details are finalised.



Reminder: We will unfortunately not be able to have our normal sports day this year, where all pupils come together in the usual way and parents are in attendance. We are planning events for each class in June, we will post photographs via our school app and website.



We are delighted to offer basic cycling awareness training for one afternoon for P.5 and P.6. Sara our local neighbourhood link officer in the PSNI will facilitate this <u>on 25th May 2021</u> from 1.00-2.45p.m. If you wish your child to avail of such valuable awareness can you please confirm with your child's class teacher. Each pupil will require a cycling helmet and bicycle for this session.

Wishing you and your family a peaceful weekend break.



Yours in continued partnership.

C. Wadsworth and Staff of St. Joseph and St. James's P.S