

# Principal's Update 10.3.23



Dear Parents,

We hope this update finds you all safe and well on this exceptional closure day. We apologise for any inconvenience caused but we needed to prioritise the health and safety of both pupils and staff being able to access and travel safely to school.



A huge congratulations to all our boys and girls in Primary 4, who received their sacrament of First Confession yesterday Thursday 9.3.23 in St. Joseph's Church.



We are so proud of each and everyone of our boys and girls, who conducted themselves so reverently at this very important occasion. They truly demonstrated their readiness to receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion. A special thanks to Mrs McCooey their class teacher, who prepared our pupils so diligently and to Fr. Woods for officiating the service.

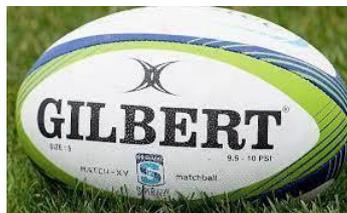
Thankyou to Mrs Crawley for her beautiful accompaniment and to Mrs Quinn for taking the photographs and helping us mark such an important part of our children's spiritual journey. Please follow the link provided to access the summary video of this event.

<https://www.stjosephandstjames.com/news/first-confession-2023/>

We have lots of events taking place in the week ahead, please see important dates for your calendar:



We invite all pupils to wear something green on **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>**. Please ensure you make payment of **£2 via parentpay**. All proceeds for this fancy dress will go towards **Trocaire**. We hope to have a celebratory day in school on Thursday with our annual Ceile.



#### **Rugby – Afterschool each Thursday**

We have liaised with Mrs McAlister from Poytnzpass P.S. and have been able to move the after school rugby to Thursday after school. Can we ask you to please email Mrs Morrow later than 3.00p.m. on Tuesday 14.3.23 on [lmorrow846@c2kni.net](mailto:lmorrow846@c2kni.net) confirming if you wish your child to attend these after school sessions.

Wishing all our families and peaceful weekend break and look forward to seeing everyone return to school on Monday morning.

Yours in continued partnership

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

Please see Pope Francis message for this Lenten season.

