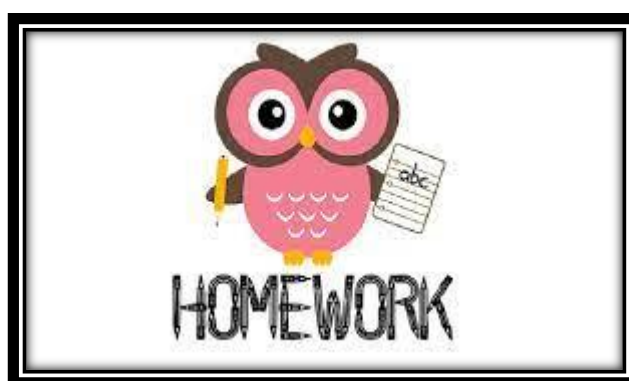


# Principal's Update 5.6.23



Dear Parents,

We are about to embark on another busy week with many events happening before the close of this academic year.



Homework for the month of June will consist of pupils taking home guided reading with High Frequency words/spellings. **Can we please request outstanding guided readers are returned, especially P1-3 Story World readers.**



## **Confirmation**

We wish our P7 pupils will receive their sacrament of Confirmation on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 5.00p.m** 2023 in St. Joseph's church Poyntzpass.

We wish them every blessing as they complete their final preparations.

**Reminder, all choir members to arrive at Chapel for 4.15p.m in full school uniform.**



We must congratulate our student council on attaining the **Eco Schools Flag** award for 2023. This is an amazing achievement, the hard work of the Eco Council and Mrs Shortt, has most certainly paid off. A selection of pupils will represent the school on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at Craigavon Civic Centre, where we will formally receive this wonderful award.



**Calling for your help** and support for a very important event, where members from the community are walking from **GAA headquarters Dublin to Redmond O'Hanlon's** GAC over three days. Redmond O'Hanlon's have kindly named our school alongside the Leukemia Foundation, as their partners in fundraising. The funds raised, will go towards enhancing the outdoor play facilities for all our pupils. We need everyone to support such an important community event. On **Sunday 2.7.23**, a representation of our pupils will walk with volunteers along the Canal Path for the final stretch. The organisers have asked for our support. We require parent volunteers to assist with this day and names of pupils who wish to walk. If you are available to volunteer, can you please email [cwadsworth679@c2kni.net](mailto:cwadsworth679@c2kni.net) confirming your availability and that of your child.



Congratulations to our pupils from P5-7, a representation from our school choir, who supported a recent event in Poyntzpass Community Centre. This evening was part of celebrating 'International Children's Day. Thankyou to Ting Ting and the tutors from the Confucius Institute, who supported us in learning the song in Mandarin for this lovely evening.



We hope you enjoyed viewing our Sports Day summary video, shared with you on our school Facebook page and website. We were so blessed with the weather and loved having so many of our parents present throughout the day to cheer all our pupils along. Sincere thanks to our hardworking staff team and Anto for all their efforts in ensuring the day went so smoothly. Thankyou also to Trainor Bros. Poyntzpass for sponsoring this event and to Mrs Gren for the delicious tray bakes to enjoy with the morning break for everyone.





# *Spring Recital Success*

Our pupils continue to astound us with their wonderful musical talent, performed at our Spring Recital. Thank you to all our parents/grandparents and friends who joined with us in celebrating the array of musical achievements attained by our pupils this academic year. Sincere thanks to all our E.A instrumental tutors and to Mr Murphy and Mrs Crawley, who provided accompaniment at this wonderful afternoon of music.



## Reminders:

- Confirmation – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 5.00pp.m - St. Joseph's Church Poyntzpass
- School Council representatives selected to attend Craigavon Civic Centre to receive Eco School award
- P7 Leavers mass – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 1.15 p.m.
- New P1's - Parent Information evening – 7.00p.m- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June
- Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023 – School Nurse – P1 assessments



Yours in continued partnership

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