



SAINT MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY UNIT

Eco-School Green Flag Award 2017

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Dear Boys and Girls of Primary 7,

Unfortunately, as a school and a schooling community we have almost come to the time to say our dreaded goodbyes. You are about to embark on a new journey as you move from the joys and comforts of St Mary's Primary School to your new schooling careers. Your new school's do not know how lucky there are to have you but we are very sad to see you go.

However, we are not going to let you go just that easy. It is going to be a very busy week for you all and I wish to confirm a number of the arrangements.

Trip on St Brendan – Wednesday 23rd June 2021

We are scheduled to go on this trip tomorrow (Wednesday). We ask that all pupils meet Mr Denvir at the Ferry Boat terminal at 9.30am. Please bring a packed lunch and no spending money is required. The weather forecast for tomorrow has showers of rain predicted so we ask that all bring some form of waterproof jacket. However, I would also recommend that all pupils have sun cream applied on exposed areas before embarking on the trip. Also, the boat is scheduled to return at 2.30pm to the Ferry Terminal and we ask that if you are collecting your child that you do so at this time. Those walking home will also be dismissed from the Ferry Terminal.

Leaver's Mass – Thursday 24th June 2021 at 7.30pm

Father Fergal has confirmed that he will be saying mass for you all on Thursday evening, 24th June 2021, at 7.30pm in Saint Patrick's Church. In order to be able to facilitate one whole class ceremony we are having to strictly **limit attendance to the service to immediate family only. In this particular instance this refers to anyone who lives in the same household as your Primary 7 child.** All adults and children of post primary age present at the ceremony must wear a face covering throughout the ceremony.

Leaver's Assembly – Friday 25th June 2021 at 2.15pm

This is scheduled to take place in the main school yard at 2.15pm. Admittance again is limited to immediate family only. We ask that on this day that all parents park their car at either the main chapel car park or the back car park of the school. Please do not park on the Windmill Hill.

I also enclose your child's school report and I hope and trust that you are as proud of your child, just as much as we are.

If I may I would like to take this opportunity to address your child directly.

As your school Principal I could not be more proud of each and every one of you. You have all achieved to the highest level and to the best of your abilities, but you, unfortunately for us, are now ready for your next level of your learning as you embark on your journey to your next school. Continue to be the best you can be.

Throughout your schooling career in Saint Mary's, you have made your school, and all of its staff very proud of you. I know from talking amongst all of the staff that we will take away many treasured memories, stories and anecdotes of your time here in St Mary's.

You have made each other very proud of yourselves and you have also a loving family who are so proud of you all.

You have done so much for a lot of people over your years with us here and words are difficult at this stage to fully justify the most positive impact you have had on the lives of everyone in our schooling community.

So thank you for being such great ambassadors for our school.

Nobody truly knows what the future has in store for us, however, I hope that whatever comes next, you can look back fondly on our time here at St Mary's.

You are forever part of our school and you will always be welcome back at St Mary's.

Yours sincerely

Mr Gilchrist
Principal