

**Week beginning Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021**  
**Newsletter**

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We have made it to the end of September and it certainly has been an eventful month. Throughout this month there has been a lot of class interruption and we are certainly not in the clear as yet but we want to thank you all for your patience and understanding to date in this regard.

During this month and certainly over the last few days, the temperature outside will become colder. We recommend now that pupils bring a coat to school each day, especially for outside play at break and lunch times.



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**COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

Over the last week the school was invited to attend a virtual celebration event for the funding we received via the Community Foundation and Comic Relief for our successful WRAP programme.

This funding has now come to an end and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our school staff and our Parents Support Group who put together the application and received the funding for this wonderful project. Our period of school closure certainly did not allow for the project we originally envisaged but it is testament to the adaptability of the project and our Parent Support Group that allowed the project to be such a success. All aspects of our schooling community received some benefit from this project and the project's legacy will live on within our school as it has embedded the need for greater awareness

around the health and well-being of our schooling community and also through the addition of many new resources in this area and indeed the new projector and screen in our school hall. Thank you to all involved in assisting with the delivery and success of this project.

**The Community Foundation**

**COVID-19 UPDATE**

We continue to ask all parents and guardians to be extra vigilant with symptoms and action in regard to Covid-19.

Remember the school is no longer responsible for 'Track and Trace.' You will be contacted directly by PHA if they believe your child has been a close contact.

**FLU JAB**

The School Nursing team will be visiting the school on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October to administer the flu vaccination programme to all pupils who have returned their consent forms.

**ACCELERATED READER.**

We have been contacted by a number of parents about the Accelerated Reader programme which is run in P4/5/6/7. An information letter and PowerPoint presentation has been added to the P4/5/6/7 class pages on the school website. Visit <https://www.stmaryspsportaferry.com> to access the class pages to view these documents.

**Accelerated Reader**



## PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Even though it is now the beginning of October, we gave out the last certificates for the month of September to celebrate those who continue to demonstrate "Brilliant Behaviour to all." This week we were delighted to present our Pupil of the Week certificates

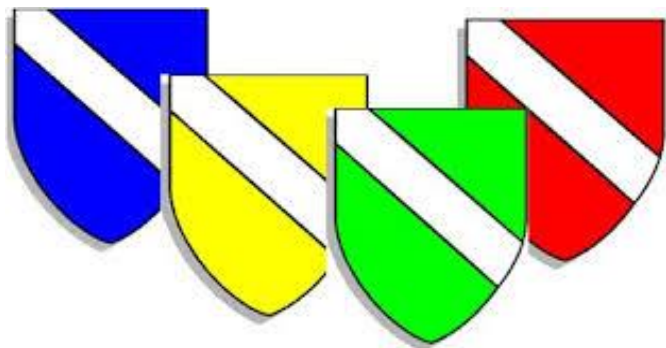
P1	Jake
P2	Leo
P3	Eabha-Grace
P4	Leah
P5	JJ
P6	Jay
P7	Jude

## House Teams

Each week, in school, we add the total number of House Points achieved by pupils of P3/4/5/6/7. This week's totals and the overall can be found in the table below.

House Colour	This Week	Overall Total
Red	232	624
Blue	237	664
Green	245	643
Yellow	241	674

For the first time this year we have been able to present bronze certificates to those pupils who achieved 40 individual House Points. In Primary 3 a bronze award was presented to Kayleigh, Teagen, Alex and Oisin, in Primary 4 it was presented to Kate, Alannah, Leah, Clíodhna, Aoibhinn, Shane, Lee, Oliver, Cillian and Grace and in Primary 7 a bronze certificate was presented to Evan, Lily, Francis, Ronan, Jude, Alexa and Ellie. Congratulations to all.



## PRIMARY 6/7 GIRL'S FOOTBALL

This begins for all interested girls on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October for 5 weeks. Please ensure your child's consent form is returned to the school on Monday.

## Dinners

This week's menu is contained below. Dinners cost £2.60 per day and must be paid at the beginning of each week in a clearly marked envelope with your child's name and days on which they wish to have school dinner

Monday	Spaghetti Bolognese, Grated Cheese, Sliced Crusty Bread, Broccoli Florets & Fresh Baton Carrots; <i>Homemade Rice Pudding &amp; Peaches Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink</i>
Tuesday	Breaded cod fish fingers Lemon Slice and Tartar Sauce, Baked Beans, Tossed Salad, Mashed Potato; <i>Apple Crumble &amp; Custard Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink</i>
Wednesday	Roast Beef, Gravy, Herb Stuffing, Cauliflower Cheese, Fresh Diced Carrot & Parsnip, Dry Oven Roasted Potato Mashed Potatoes <i>Melon Slice &amp; Yoghurt Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink</i>
Thursday	Breast of Chicken Curry with boiled rice, naan bread, Crunchy Fresh Coleslaw, Garden Peas & Selection of Salads; <i>Homemade shortbread &amp; Fruit Pot Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink</i>
Friday	Bread Chicken Goujons or Chicken Baguette, Selection of Salads, Salsa Dip, Sweetcorn, Chips or baked Potato <i>Jelly &amp; Ice Cream with Fruit Salad Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink</i>

## FREE SCHOOL MEALS

This is the last reminder to those who are eligible and have not yet completed their application for free school meals to please do so as a matter of urgency.



### **FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND UNIFORM GRANTS**

- If you have not applied please do so as soon as possible
- It can take up to four weeks for an application to be processed
- If you have not received an email confirming your application please check your junk mail
- For more information please visit: [www.eani.org.uk/fsm](http://www.eani.org.uk/fsm)



