

Week beginning Monday 11th October 2021 Newsletter

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SPONSORED WALK

This week all pupils will be participating in our annual school sponsored walk. This is an opportunity for our school to generate some much-needed finances that will be used directly to benefit the participation and education for all of our pupils. We fully appreciate that there are many demands placed on family finances and any donation, regardless of how big or how small, to the school would be greatly appreciated.



FLU JAB

The School Nursing team visited the school during this last week. There were a significant number of pupils absent on this day and the school nurse has advised that they will be conducting a "catch up" clinic for those pupils at a later date. Once they have the date confirmed the school will notify all.

DYSLEXIA AWARENESS WEEK

As part of their ongoing work supporting children and young people with dyslexia, the EA Literacy Service produces a quarterly newsletter which provides helpful tips and resources to support all children and young people's literacy development. The next newsletter will be published in November,

but in the meantime, take a look at one of the popular previous editions.

<https://sway.office.com/IOWgF2uVh2jGguBv?ref=Link>

Dyslexia Awareness Week
4th Oct - 10th Oct 2021

The EA Literacy Service is delighted to be celebrating 'Dyslexia Awareness Week UK 2021' by highlighting some amazing C2K resources freely available to children and young people in school and at home across N. Ireland.

Scan the QR codes to find out more.

Free Assistive Technology provided through EA and C2K

Read&Write
A literacy support toolbar helping reading, writing and understanding, improving confidence and independence.

Office 365
A suite of apps including Word, PowerPoint and Excel with the built in accessibility feature Immersive Reader.

Coming Soon!
(On the C2k network in schools and for free download at home)

Clicker 8
A tool for the primary classroom, providing writing support.

EA Literacy Service Homepage

What can you do?

- Wear red on World Dyslexia Day (7th October) to promote Dyslexia Awareness
- Share this infographic across your school community
- Print off the QR code version to display on school noticeboards/local library etc.

This document was created using examples of a dyslexia friendly font (Comic Sans) and background colours. Which colour works best for you?

"To inspire, support and challenge all our Children and Young People to be the best that they can be."

Education Authority

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.



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.



PUPILS OF THE WEEK

The theme for the month of October is "Neat Handwriting and Presentation of Work." This week the Pupil's of the Week were;

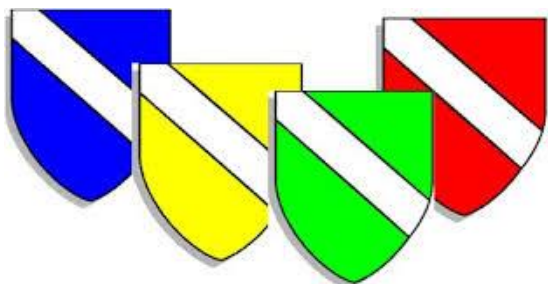
P1	Holly
P2	Caoimhe
P3	Isla
P4	Cillian
P5	Lucas
P6	Carli
P7	Daithi

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	170	794
Blue	182	846
Green	177	820
Yellow	181	855

This week we presented Bronze certificates for those who achieved 40 individual house points to Belle and Michael in P3, Stephen (P4), Sean (P5) and Orna (P6) Well done to you all.



PRIMARY 6/7 GIRL'S FOOTBALL

This continues for all interested girls of P6/7 on Monday's from 3 - 4.00pm

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	Savoury Mince & Onion, Fresh Baton Carrots, Broccoli Florets & Mashed Potato Chocolate and Orange Sponge & Custard Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink
Tuesday	Breaded Cod Fish Fingers, Baked Beans, Sweetcorn, Mashed Potato Swiss Roll & Custard, Fresh Fruit Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink
Wednesday	Roast turkey, Gravy, Herb Stuffing, Cranberry Sauce, Fresh Carrot & Parsnip, Fresh Savoy Cabbage, Dry Oven Roasted Potato Mashed Potatoes Homemade Rice Pudding & Pears Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink
Thursday	Breast of Chicken Curry with boiled rice, naan bread, French Green Beans & Tossed Salad Flake meal Biscuit & Mandarin Orange Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink
Friday	Hotdog, Sauté Onions or Beef Fajita, Carrot and Cucumber Sticks with Homemade Garlic Dip, Peas, Chips or Baby Boiled Potato Raspberry Ripple Ice Cream & Fresh Fruit Salad Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink

MATHS WEEK

This is prior notice that during week beginning 18th October our school we will be participating in Maths Week Ireland. More details on what this will involve will be made available in next week's newsletter.

