



Week beginning Monday 18th October 2021 Newsletter

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HALF TERM

We have almost come to the end of this half term and a reminder that school is closed for all pupils from Monday 25th - Friday 29th October. School re-opens on Monday 1st November.

On Friday 22nd October in school we will be hosting our monthly non-uniform day. A donation of £2 per person and £3 per family is requested for school funds. Pupils can come to school on this day dressed in their own clothes or come dressed in fancy dress for Halloween



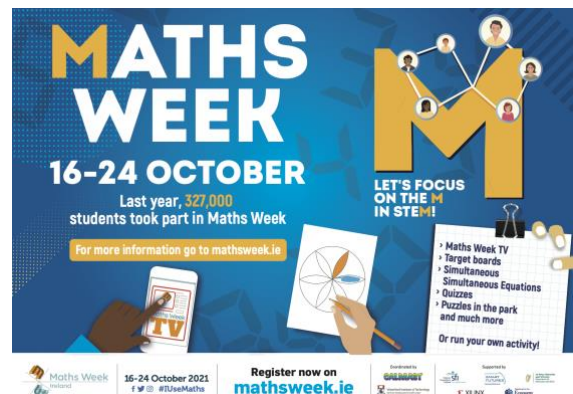
MATHS WEEK

This week in school all pupils will be engaging in math activities as part of Maths Week Ireland.

To coincide with this, each night this week a special maths puzzle will be sent out via the school website. As a family we encourage you to work out the answer and return the answer to school the next morning on a page or sheet of paper. All answers, along with your child's name and class, are to be placed in a special Maths Week Answer Box which will be located at the school's main entrances. Each day we will select a winning answer and present a prize.

There is a separate puzzle and prize for Primary

4/5/6/7 and one for P1/2/3. The first message will be sent at 4.00pm tomorrow (Monday) Good Luck everyone



COMMUNICATION

It has been brought to our attention that potentially 'Whatsapp' and other social media outlets are being used to discuss sensitive school related matters. We ask that parents do not engage in discussing sensitive matters regarding your child and the school on some of these social media platforms. This also relates to discussing other children. Child Protection matters should be resolved through the school.

If as a parent, you have any concerns regarding your child's level of participation in school, the level of your child's school-work or any other matters relating to any other children, please contact the school by phone on 028 427 28278 or by e-mail at info@stmarysps.portaferry.ni.sch.uk

We will pass on messages to your child's teacher when received and arrange to get back to you as soon as possible.



SPONSORED WALK

Thank you to everyone who has sent in their donations for the annual sponsored walk. Again, 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 is greatly appreciated. Please sent all outstanding donations into school by Tuesday 19th October 2021.



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	Lucie
P2	Tom
P3	Logan
P4	Shane
P5	Kaelem
P6	Mai
P7	Cahlie

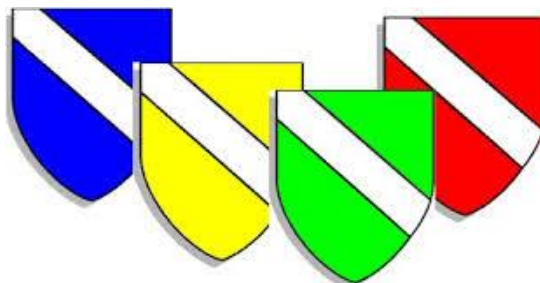
House Teams

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. Winners for this half-term will be announced next week.

House Colour	This Week	Overall Total
Red	165	959
Blue	238	1084
Green	173	993
Yellow	191	1046

This week, in school we presented Bronze House point certificates for achieving 40 individual House points in Primary 3 to Oscar, Oisin, Ethan, Cormac, Jenson, Logan, Meabh, Isla, Kobi, Charlie, in

Primary 4 to Darragh, Oscar, Hollie, Ruairi, Chris, Olly, Carter and Darragh, in Primary 5 to Kaelem, Niamh, Holly, Rebecca, Jamie and Meah, in Primary 6 to Finn and in Primary 7 to Eva-Marie, Ben, Kenzie, Cody, Aoibhe and Caitlin. We were also delighted to be able to present our first Silver certificate for achieving 80 House Points to Alex in Primary 3. Well done to everyone. Enjoy your weekend.



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	Breaded cod fish finger, Lemon Slice and Tartar Sauce, Baked Beans, Carrot & Cucumber Sticks & Mashed Potato Flake meal Biscuit, Fruit & Custard Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink
Tuesday	Irish Stew, Homemade Wheaten Bread, Broccoli Florets, Sweetcorn Strawberry Mousse & Fresh Fruit Salad Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink
Wednesday	Roast Beef, Gravy, Herb Stuffing, Cauliflower Cheese Sauce, Fresh Baton Carrots Dry Oven Roasted Potato Mashed Potatoes Chocolate Brownie & Custard Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink
Thursday	Breast of Chicken Curry with boiled rice, naan bread, Garden Peas & Mashed Fresh Turnip Lemon Sponge & Custard Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink
Friday	H Margherita Pizza, Crunchy Fresh Coleslaw, Tossed Salad, Pasta Salad, Chips or Baked Potato Artic Roll & Jelly & Fresh Fruit Or Ham/ Cheese/ Jam Sandwich / Biscuit/ Drink



