

*'Forward Together in Friendship and Faith'*

## JONESBORO'PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday, 30 April 2021

### A Thuismitheoirí / Dear Parents

We want to add to our 'After School' provision for the remaining weeks before summer. However we still have to take note of current public health restrictions when doing so.

To this end we have 'joined' primary 6 and 7 classes into one bubble for possible afterschool activities as this still only means a maximum of 24 children gathering. This has allowed our Glow group STEAM classes to begin with p6 and 7 children in one room and p4/5 children in an adjoining room.

Further After School activities to begin next week and the weeks after include:-

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| • P6 and 7 Girls Health & Well Being | Monday 2.55pm to 3.55pm   |
| • P2 'Art Attack' sessions,          | Tuesday 2.00pm to 2.55pm  |
| • P 3 'Art Attack' sessions          | Tuesday 3.00pm to 3.55pm  |
| • P1 Art Attack (Free)               | Wednesday 1.05 – 1.50pm   |
| • P4/5 'Art Attack' sessions         | Thursday 2.55pm to 3.55pm |
| • P6/7 'Minecraft',                  | Thursday 2.55pm to 3.55pm |

We would ask for £1 donation per child for each of the above activities payable upon attendance, unless stated.

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| • P4-7 Glow Club as planned | Wednesday 3.00pm to 4.00pm |
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Primary 6 and 7 children will be taking part in a day long Trekking adventure in Kilbroney Forest Park, Rostrevor on a coming Thursday (P7) and Friday (P6). We hope to have this event next week if the weather looks good. If not, it will be the following week or the week after ..... Children are advised to wear old runners and take a shower proof jacket. They will need to take a lunch and snack incl. drinks inside a small backpack. Normal school times will apply.

Unfortunately we are presently unable to organise any school trips, sports days etc and we are also quickly running out of time to be able to make necessary arrangements re transport, bookings etc. It may be that school trips will take on a very local flavour and within walking distance. Time will tell.

P.T.O.

We are making a few small changes to our previously planned holidays prior to the end of the school year to give us an extra couple of days in May to possibly allow for the above.

Whilst the two Bank Holidays will go ahead as planned on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May, we will only close on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May, (not for the whole week from 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>). School will close for summer vacation for our primaries 1-6 on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June. Following tradition primary 7 children will leave one week earlier on Friday 18<sup>th</sup>.

We hope and trust that this will not inconvenience anyone too much.

Details re. any events will be announced to you as soon as possible.

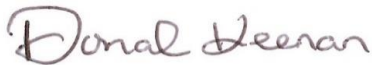
Congratulations to our Primary 4 children who celebrated the Sacrament of First Penance, Tuesday night past. The children are obviously looking forward to First Holy Communion which takes place on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May. The good news is that each child will have one complete pew (seat) specifically for their family. A pew can hold up to 7/8 people.

Unfortunately, school cannot organise the distribution of Holy Communion cards among friends and classmates this year nor the taking of official photographs.

We will be live streaming the Holy Communion Ceremony on the school Facebook page.

*Please be reminded that school is closed for the  
Bank Holiday on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May.*

Yours sincerely



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*Mr Donal Keenan*  
**PRINCIPAL**