**Dear Parents & Carers**

**Welcome back!**

**I hope you all had a good summer – even if you can’t remember it now!**

**Children have settled into their new classes very well. I would also like to welcome our new families to St Finbar’s.**

**Our children look very smart in their new uniforms. There is also a reminder further on in this newsletter giving more detail about our winter uniform.**

**We have recently applied for two Quality Marks – Inclusion and Attendance. The outcome of both are yet to be published but the indication is we have done very well. Thank you to those parents who took part in interviews with the assessors.**

**We have several class assemblies coming up and would love it if parents could attend – it means a lot to your children. Invitations will be sent out separately.**

**Mrs Conley**

**A Reminder about School Uniform:**

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| **GIRLS** |
| **Winter** |
| Grey skirt or tunic  White blouse  **RED** sweat-cardi/jumper with school badge  Red & silver tie  White socks  Black School shoes (no heels) |
| **BOYS** |
| **Winter** |
| Grey trousers (short or long)  White shirt  **RED** sweat jumper with school badge  Red & silver tie  Grey socks  Black school shoes |

**BAPTISM & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

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Father Southworth has recently sent home First Holy Communion meeting information for children in Year 4 who are baptised.

If you haven’t received a letter and think you should have, then please let us know. It could be that you have not informed school about your child’s baptism.

*If this is the case for you – then please contact school to let us know.*

Any children in **Years 5 or 6** who have also been baptised and not made their First Holy Communion but would like to, then please make an appointment with Father Southworth on 727 1463

**ASSEMBLIES**

Please also see individual invitations sent home for each class

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| **Day/Date** | **Class** | **Theme** |
| Friday 6th October | Year 5 | Family |
| Friday 13th October | Years 1 & 2 | Harvest |
| Thursday 16th November | Year 6 | Judaism |

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Dear Parents …

**RECEPTION DESK**

Our Reception desk is open from 8:45 to 3:30.

If you need to speak to staff / pay dinner money / make appointments etc then could we ask that you do so during these hours.

You do not have to wait until the morning or hometime bell.

We find there is a lot of congestion in the small foyer because parents all come in together at the start and end of the day.

Also – if you have a message for your child regarding hometime arrangements *please don’t* leave this until the last minute - there is a possibility that your child will have left the building before we are able to pass your message on