



Dear Parents & Carers

Welcome to your March Newsletter.

As life slowly returns to “normal” our school days and routines will resume on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. Please be assured that our safety and hygiene procedures will continue to be robust. **We are looking forward to seeing ALL CHILDREN on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March.**

Sanitising and distancing routines will remain in place.

Children, as we know, are resilient and we hope that they will soon enjoy their much-missed face-to-face interaction with their teacher and friends.

We will continue to email information to parents as the quickest and most efficient way to communicate. Newsletters and other school correspondence is also posted on our website.

We have a busy year ahead and are currently putting together a new curriculum with pupil and staff wellbeing at the forefront of our planning and thinking.

### **Practical Matters for children’s return Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March:**

1. Full-school (Winter) uniform for all; except Y4 and Nursery children. Y4 will need to wear their school PE kit – with bottoms and school sweatshirt over to keep them warm. This includes black shoes.
2. All children with long hair to be securely tied back – we do not want to bring an infection of head-lice into school!
3. Children can only bring in a water-bottle, packed lunch (if applicable) and their reading book in from home.
4. All children who receive Free School Meals (FSM) will receive them. This includes all those children;
  - Who are in YR – Y2: Universal Free School Meals

- Who are in Y3 – Y6: Benefits-related Free School Meals

*NB. Please inform the school office if you think your child is now eligible to receive FSM.*

### Laptops for Learning

Some children have been loaned a school device on which to do their learning during the lockdown. Please return the device and charger in the laptop bag to the school office Monday 8th March - Thursday 11th March.

### Start of day organisation

Phase/ Class	Time	Entry point	Notes
EYFS	8:45 – 9:00	EYFS	Parents/ carers bring their child/ren to the EYFS door and hand over their child to the adult in charge. Parents leave the school site by the same route. <i>Remember to wear your mask and to follow all social distancing rules.</i>
KS1 & Y6	8:45 – 9:00	Middle gate plus KS1 door	Parents/ carers can bring their child/ren to the drop-off-collection point on the main playground. Parents to leave the school yard by the side "exit" gate on the main yard <i>Remember to wear your mask and to follow all social distancing rules.</i>
Y3 – Y5	8:45 – 9:00	Middle gate plus KS2 door	Parents/ carers can bring their child/ren to the drop-off-collection point on the main playground. Parents to leave the school yard by the side "exit" gate on the main yard <i>Remember to wear your mask and to follow all social distancing rules.</i>

## End of day organisation

Phase/ Class	Time	Exit point	Notes
EYFS	3:10	EYFS	Parents/ carers collect their child/ren to the EYFS from the adult in charge. Parents leave the school site by the same route. <i>Remember to wear your mask and to follow all social distancing rules.</i>
KS1 & Y6	Y1- 3:05 Y2 – 3:10 Y6 – 3:15	KS1 door plus End gate	Parents/ carers can collect their child/ren from the drop-off-collection point on the main playground. Parents to leave the school yard by the side “exit” gate on the main yard <i>Remember to wear your mask and to follow all social distancing rules.</i>
Y3 – Y5	Y3 – 3:05 Y4 – 3:10 Y5 – 3:15	KS2 door plus End gate	Parents/ carers can collect their child/ren from the drop-off-collection point on the main playground. Parents to leave the school yard by the side “exit” gate on the main yard <i>Remember to wear your mask and to follow all social distancing rules.</i>

## School uniform

School uniform (sweatshirt and tie) can be purchased online only from our suppliers: [www.kittedoutschoolwear.co.uk](http://www.kittedoutschoolwear.co.uk)

## March Feast Days

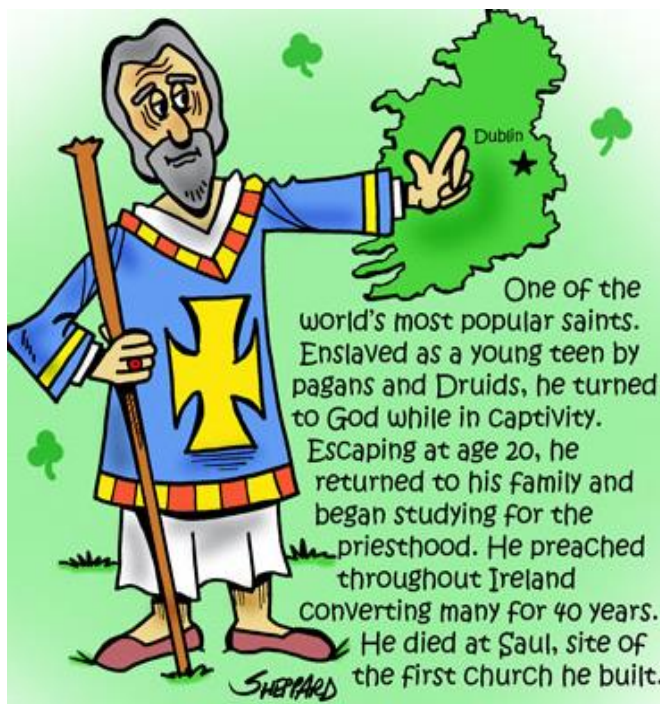
### St David – 1<sup>st</sup> March

**St David** was born in the year 500, the grandson of Ceredig ap Cunedda, King of Ceredigion. According to legend, his mother St Non, gave birth to him on a Pembrokeshire clifftop during a fierce storm. The spot is marked by the ruins of Non's Chapel, and a nearby holy well is said to have healing powers.

He is the patron saint of Wales.



### St Patrick – 17<sup>th</sup> March



One of the world's most popular saints. Enslaved as a young teen by pagans and Druids, he turned to God while in captivity. Escaping at age 20, he returned to his family and began studying for the priesthood. He preached throughout Ireland converting many for 40 years. He died at Saul, site of the first church he built.

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# THE FUN ZONE



Find 15 objects in the picture



Q. What is it called when a cat wins a dog show?



A. A Cat-has-trophy.

Q. What do you call a dinosaur with an extensive vocabulary?

A. A thesaurus