

## St. Anne's P.S. - February 2018 Newsletter

## **Catholic Schools' Week**

This week, we are celebrating Catholic Schools' Week. As you know, St. Anne's is an all-inclusive school, welcoming families from all faiths. Catholic Schools' Week is an opportunity to reflect on the work of Faith schools in our Parish. This extract is taken from our Parish leaflet:

The Parish Family of Schools together provide a seamless journey through education from ages 3 to 19 where your child will be:

- educated and encouraged;
- cherished and nurtured;
- respected and valued;

Our caring staff will support you as we journey together to ensure that your child's education will be a rewarding and enjoyable experience.

The families that choose faith schools may not be religious themselves but they sense that faith schools preserve values, disciplines and habits that are being lost elsewhere.

## **Events:**

- 1. All parents and Grandparents are invited to mass in St.Comgall's, Bangor on Wednesday, January 31 at 10am. Representatives from all 4 Parish Schools will be there, and refreshments will be provided afterwards.
- 2. Parish Ethos Day on Friday, Feb. 2, for the whole staff from our 4 parish schools; all pupils will finish at 11.45/12pm.
- 3. Special Mass at 12.30pm in St. Comgall's, Bangor. <u>All pupils</u> should attend in their school uniforms for this celebration. I hope that there will be a strong representation from St. Anne's PS!

# <u>Holidays</u>

#### Mid-Term:

School will be closed for 1 week from Monday February 12 and will re-open on Monday February 19 (8am for Breakfast Club).

#### Easter:

Please note that our January Newsletter mistakenly stated that the school would close one day earlier at Easter. The school will be open 1/2 day on Wednesday, March 28. An updated Holiday list is included on the back and has also been uploaded to our website.

## World Book Day

March 1...start thinking about your costumes! More information to follow...

## Lent

Lent begins on Wednesday, Feb 14.
As in previous years we will be supporting Trocaire throughout this period by collecting 20ps in Smartie tubes, collecting any small change in class, and by running our enormously successful "Great Easter Egg Hunt".
We would appreciate any donations of Easter Eggs, mini-eggs, etc. during the Lenten period.

### **Visits**

- Miss McNamee's will be visiting Donaghadee library on Friday February 2.
- Mrs Adams class will visit the library on Feb. 9
- P7s will enter the NI Road Safety Quiz on Tues. Feb 6

Please remember that all absences must be followed up with a written note (Pro-formas are available in the school foyer); Late pupils should go to the Mobile classroom first; parents are asked to drop their children off at the school gate/door—teachers are not available to meet parents without appointments. Thank you.