



News sheet

December 2020

Online learning

As with many things over the recent months, the school has been working really hard to meet the needs of all pupils at school and at home. We have established the use of Seesaw in school in order to help deal with supporting learning at home and reducing items being transferred from home and school.

The teachers are using Seesaw to send homework and other class announcements to keep the communication with home and school flowing, on a daily basis. The majority of families are using this communication and we appreciate all efforts made to keep in touch with school.

In the event of sudden school closures or bubbles being taught remotely, this is the means by which the teachers will send daily lessons to the children in their class. A Remote Learning Policy will be available for all to read on the school website, where the roles for all members of the school community are explained.

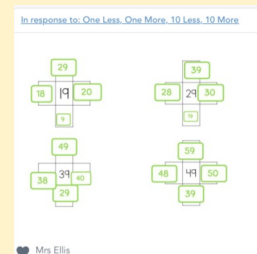
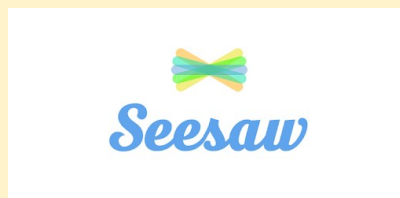
Parents can contact school if they are having problems with any aspect of online learning and we will attempt to help in any way we can.

Thank you for all the hard work completed this term and for helping to build our online learning skills.

On behalf of the staff, I would like to wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

God Bless

Mrs Ellis



Christmas Holidays

The school will be closing for the Christmas holidays on Friday 18th December. School will close for pupils at 12 Noon. There will be dinner and children can wear their own clothes. Children will return to school on Thursday 7th January 2021.



Shoe Box Appeal

Thank you to all who sent in their shoe boxes and kindly donated money. In troubling times for many people, your generosity and kindness is a wonderful reflection of this rural community.

Dinner money

The EA Board section require all dinner monies to be lodged with them every Friday. Could you please ensure that your child / children's dinner money is paid up to date **by the end of every week**.

Please do not send any nuts, bars containing nuts or peanut butter sandwiches with your child

Christmas Plays

All classes are preparing their own Christmas plays / Nativities. Staff will post their acting, dancing and singing skills on Seesaw for you to enjoy!



Important December dates:

7th December: School nurse will return to complete the flu vaccination for those who missed the last time.

8th December: School closed for Staff Development Day

9th December: Christmas Dinner (£2.60) / Christmas clothes day

11th December: St. Caireall's Christmas Draw

14th December: Fr Fraser is saying Mass online at 10:00 am for our school.

18th December: School closing at 12 noon. There will be dinner and non-school uniform.

Children return to school Thursday 7th January 2021

Fiachra McNulty Gaelic training every Monday for Years 3,4,5,6 and 7

Tyrone Day at St. Caireall's



Staff



Year 1



Year 6/7



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4/5

At St.Caireall's, we celebrated the long career of Mickey Harte by wearing our Tyrone colours for the day. Everyone was very proud to show their appreciation for his 18 years in charge.

Christmas draw



The annual Christmas draw will take place on Friday 11th December. A big thank you has to go to local shops who donated vouchers to the prize list, staff who donated gifts and presented the hampers so beautifully. We are looking forward to the draw on the 11th December. All winners will be notified.

Advent Preparation

Fr Fraser had kindly asked the children in Years 6 and 7 to write prayers for Advent. These prayers will be displayed online, one prayer for each day of the Advent season. The children spent a long time thinking about the theme of 'Waiting.' Well done to all and Mrs Dooher for her organisation.

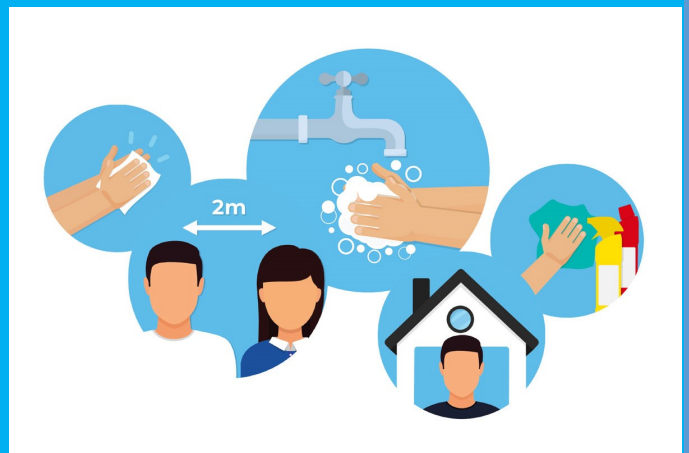


New Year 1 Intake

Any child who is 4 before 2nd July can apply ONLINE for St. Caireall's from 7th January at 12 noon until the 29th January 12 Noon. The website is www.primaryadmissions@eani.org.uk Thank you

PLEASE READ Important Covid 19 reminders:

- If you are standing outside the gates waiting on your child, please remember to keep your distance from the person standing next to you.
- Please remember if your child has any symptoms of Covid 19 **DO NOT** send them to school.
- If your child or anyone in your household bubble are waiting on test results, **the whole family should self isolate and children not come to school.**
- If your child has been in contact with anyone who has tested **positive**, please keep them at home for 14 days.



Thank you for all your continued support and Merry Christmas
Staff at St. Caireall's P.S.

