



# Saint John's P.S.

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EDUCATING FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW

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DEPUTY DESIGNATED TEACHER: Mrs.  
Coyle

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## **WRITER OF THE MONTH (FEBRUARY)**

Y1– Aoife McGuckin  
Y2– Sean Quinn  
Y2/3– Jimmy McKeagney  
Y4– Annie Turner  
Y5– Cormac Kearney  
Y6– Roisin McAtamney  
Y7– Ellie McCartney

Keep up the great efforts! Keep improving!

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

We were delighted when the Camogie team also worked their way to the indoor finals this month. The boys' footballers gave a fine performance but it wasn't their day. Thank you to the teachers who helped the teams prepare. Thanks also go to the children themselves who were great ambassadors for the school and showed good manners and fine sporting spirit.

## **PARISH RETREAT**

The children in Years 4, 5, 6 and 7 enjoyed their new experience of Liturgical Movement with Sister Perpetua and Geraldine Brolly. In a world where 'mindfulness' is popular we as families should remember that one of the best ways to be truly mindful, is to PRAY.

## **NEW TEXT MESSAGING SERVICE**

We had to seek a new provider as changes to the former meant we could no longer get replies from parents which is so useful when seeking permissions for trips and outings, for example.

You should have received a letter explaining how to sign up to the new service. If you haven't got round to joining, this is a timely reminder to make sure you stay up to date.

## **NEW WEBSITE PROVIDER**

As a cost saving exercise we have switched website provider to a local firm in Armagh. The web address remains as [www.stjohnsswatragh.com](http://www.stjohnsswatragh.com). We hope the new look and layout will make it easy for you to access the school information which is useful to you.

Any tips for improvement? Get in touch.

## **SCHOOL APP**

<http://bit.ly1Q9dgcb>

For Apple:  
<https://goo.gl/1EQgny>

How handy is this APP for accessing the website and other news at top speed? Never miss another school event and never arrive late for your child's turn at assembly:).

## **ADDITIONAL SCHOOL CLOSURE**

The school will be closed on Thursday May 2nd as it will be used as a polling station for the local council elections.

There will be no Bright Start Child-care available that day either as we have to make sure the premises is solely used for election purposes.

## **BOOK AMNESTY**

If you are spring cleaning and come across any school books please send them in. We will be really grateful!!

## **GROUPCALL EXPRESSIONS**

Do we have your current mobile and email details? We need these to make sure you can access the school text messaging service.

## **STAY ALERT**

Listen out for warning signs that your child may have been using apps containing viruses encourage bullying and self-harm. If you need to, get in touch with school so we can work together to protect children.

## **HOLIDAYS FOR 2018-19**

**SPRING TERM**  
Monday 7th Jan to  
Thurs 18th April

Closed for St. Patrick's Day on March 18th.

**SUMMER TERM**  
Monday 29th April to  
Friday 28th June

Bank Holidays 6th  
May, 27th May PLUS  
CLOSED Friday 24th  
May.

**CLOSED MAY 2nd  
for polling day.**

**CONFIRMATION:**  
Thursday 28th  
March 2019,  
5.00pm with Msgr.  
Joseph Donnelly

**FIRST PENANCE**  
Thursday April  
11th at 7.30pm in  
the chapel.

**FIRST COMMUNION**  
Saturday June 1st  
at 11.00am in the  
chapel.

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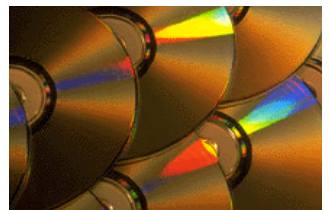
Selecting pictures or graphics is an important part of adding content to your newsletter.

Think about your article and ask yourself if the picture supports or enhances the message you’re trying to convey. Avoid selecting images that appear to be out of context.

Microsoft Publisher includes thousands of clip art images from which you can choose and import into your newsletter. There are also several tools you can use to draw shapes and symbols.

Once you have chosen an image, place it close to

the article. Be sure to place the caption of the image near the image.



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One benefit of using your newsletter as a promotional tool is that you can reuse content from other marketing materials, such as press releases, market studies, and reports.

While your main goal of distributing a newsletter might be to sell your product or service, the key to a successful newsletter is making it useful to your readers.

A great way to add useful content to your newsletter is to develop and write your own articles, or include a calendar of upcoming events or a special offer that promotes a new product.

You can also research articles or find “filler” articles by accessing the World Wide Web. You can write about a variety of topics but try to keep your articles short.

Much of the content you put in your newsletter

can also be used for your Web site. Microsoft Publisher offers a simple way to convert your newsletter to a Web publication. So, when you're finished writing your newsletter, convert it to a Web site and post it.



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## Inside Story Headline

This story can fit 100-150 words.

The subject matter that appears in newsletters is virtually endless. You can include stories that focus on current technologies or innovations in your field.

You may also want to note business or economic trends, or make predictions for your customers or clients.

If the newsletter is distributed internally, you might comment upon new procedures or improvements to the business. Sales figures or earnings will show how your business is growing.

Some newsletters include a column that is updated

every issue, for instance, an advice column, a book review, a letter from the president, or an editorial. You can also profile new employees or top customers or vendors.

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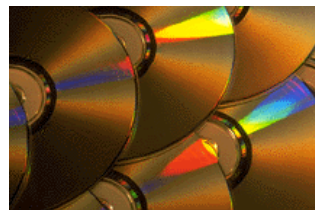
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Primary Business Address  
Your Address Line 2  
Your Address Line 3  
Your Address Line 4

Phone: 555-555-5555  
Fax: 555-555-5555  
Email: [xyz@microsoft.com](mailto:xyz@microsoft.com)

Your business tag line here.

  
**Organization**

**We're on the Web!**  
**example.microsoft.com**

This would be a good place to insert a short paragraph about your organization. It might include the purpose of the organization, its mission, founding date, and a brief history. You could also include a brief list of the types of products, services, or programs your organization offers, the geographic area covered (for example, western U.S. or European markets), and a profile of the types of customers or members served.

It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.

## Back Page Story Headline

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small, you may want to list the names of all employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their calendars for a regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a biannual charity auction.

If space is available, this is a good place to insert a clip art image or some other graphic.



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