



# Saint John's P.S.

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EDUCATING FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW

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

Y1– Anna Kearney  
Y2– Lucia Tohill  
Y2/3– Tommy Dallat  
Y4– James Quinn  
Y5– Molly Friel  
Y6– Aoife McWilliams  
Y7– Feraghal Kearney + Brody McSwiggan

Keep up the great efforts! Keep improving!

## **SAFER INTERNET DAY**

TUESDAY 5th FEBRUARY is a special day for schools to raise awareness for all about how to keep safe online. But what about parents and you at home? Do you feel alone when dealing with internet safety problems?

You can get free, independent, expert advice if you contact the Professional Online Safety Helpline. Go to [helpline@saferinternet.org.uk](mailto:helpline@saferinternet.org.uk)

Tel: 0844 3814772

## **PRE-LOVED UNIFORM**

At the suggestion of a parent we welcome donations of uniform items no longer needed by you. Items will be on display at class assemblies. Any monetary donations for these will be most welcome.

## **TRANSFER TO POST-PRIMARY**

Y7 pupils should have their forms returned to school by Friday February 1st if possible, to allow time for the office staff to deal with the necessary administration before forwarding to the EA.

## **ADMISSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER**

If you or someone you know has submitted an application for a Y1 place here for September 2019, make sure you / they have brought the child's Birth Certificate to the school office before February 8th in order to complete the process.

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

We were delighted that both the Hurling team AND the Girls' Football team played so well at the recent indoor competition in Meadowbank and are now through to the finals later in the year.

## **PARISH RETREAT**

During the week commencing February 25th, Granaghan Parish Retreat will be a time to refresh our faith and invest in what we value as Catholics. To help our young people prepare we will welcome Sister Perpetua and Geraldine Boyle from the Thornhill Ministries into school to work with the children in Year 4 to Year 7. Their programme will include some simple age-appropriate meditation, as well as Prayer Movement. Prayer can be done in lots of ways!

## **SCHOOL APP**

Some parents haven't yet got round to signing up for the school app but we can recommend it as a handy way to make sure you are informed and reminded of what's happening in St. John's. There is a quick link to the website when you need to check what is for school dinner the next day. The calendar is to hand and you can access documents and get the latest news straight away.

For Android:  
<http://bit.ly1Q9dgcb>

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

## **HOLIDAYS FOR 2018-19**

SPRING TERM  
Monday 7th Jan to  
Thurs 18th April

Mid-term Wed 13th  
Feb to Tues 19th Feb

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.

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.

## Inside Story Headline



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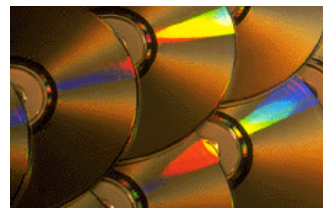
Selecting pictures or graphics is an important part of adding content to your newsletter.

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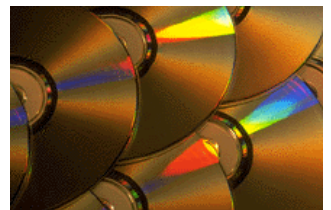
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Primary Business Address  
Your Address Line 2  
Your Address Line 3  
Your Address Line 4

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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