



# St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

Dear Parents,

Re: OFSTED visit to St Patrick's Catholic Primary School on Tuesday 29th January and Wednesday 30th January 2019.

At this point the school awaits the final report from the inspectors. Once we are in receipt of the inspectors report we will make it available to our parents and carers.

Thank you to all the parents who accessed 'Parent View' and made your views about St Patrick's known to the inspectors.

Here are some dates that you may wish to enter in your diaries

Happy New Year

To wish parents and pupils who are members of our Chinese community a very happy and blessed new year. We would like to thank one of our parents Mrs Then, for coming into school to share some of the Chinese traditions with our pupils and also for allowing pupils to have the experience of tasting Chinese food that she had specially prepared. Thank you Mrs Then.

Friday 8th February

Today representatives from our KS1 classes have been asked to represent the school in a sporting multi-skills festival that will be hosted by Blessed William Howard High School. Twenty one of our younger pupils are to represent our school at this event. Good luck children.

Friday 8th February

Non uniform day - a number of schools within the Stafford area are holding a non uniform day tomorrow. The purpose of which is to raise funds for the family of the children who lost their lives in the house fire that occurred earlier this week. Donations to support the family should be sent to the school tomorrow with your child.

Sunday 10th February—Sacrament of Confirmation Mass of Commitment 9.30am

Our Year 6 pupils who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next week are asked to attend mass with their parents today. Please pray for the children who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday 13th February.

Wednesday 13th February

Today we will welcome His Lordship, Bishop David Mc Gough to our school. During the course of the afternoon Bishop David will be meeting with the Confirmandi who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this evening.

The Service of the Sacrament of Confirmation 7.00pm St Patrick's Church

This evening the Catholic children in our Year 6 class will be presented for Confirmation. This is a wonderful event in the lives of the children and their families. Please pray for the children and all those who love and support them on their life journey.

Wednesday 13th February

On this morning a dental survey of our five year olds is scheduled to take place. (Parents will have received further information about this).

Thursday 14th February - Mass - 9.15am in church.

Please do come and join us for Mass this morning.

Friday 15th February - 9.00am Congratulations Assembly

This morning Glee Club will be performing the set list of songs that they will perform at the Gatehouse Theatre on the evening of the 1st March. The children from the Glee Club will take part in a large choral event which will be hosted at the Gatehouse Theatre in Stafford on the evening of the 1st March. It is understood that tickets for this event are selling fast. Please contact the Gatehouse Theatre to purchase any tickets that you require.

Friday 15th February - PTFA event Crazy Hair and Crazy Clothes Day

Come to school with crazy hair or crazy clothes in return for donating an Easter Egg or Easter chocolate.

School closes for half term on Friday 15th February and re-opens on Monday 25th February.

#### Attendance

The school attendance target for the school is 97.0% and it is important that all parents/carers ensure their child(ren) are in school each day. The table below shows the overall attendance for each year group from September 2018

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
93.15	95.32	95.64	95.45	95.16	96.50	95.34

Please remember any parents/carers taking their child(ren) out of school for holidays during term time will be fined for doing so.

Parents will appreciate that each day that your child is absent from school, is a day of their education that they are missing out on. Absences add up. Missing just 2 days a month means that a child misses 10% of the school year.

#### Music Education Hub

If your child plays an instrument at school they are invited to join an ensemble group at Blessed William Howard High School at 5pm each Wednesday. If you have any queries, please contact Miss Fielding or Mr Galley via the school office. Thank you.