

24<sup>th</sup> January 2013

Dear Parents

There are a number of forthcoming events and dates for you to note.

### **FRIENDS of BARNISH**

Friends of Barnish are holding a disco for Primary School aged children tomorrow, Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January from 7 – 8.45pm. Admission is £2 per child and there will be a tuck shop.

There will be a meeting of the Friends of Barnish on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm in the school. All existing committee members are requested to attend and new members are always welcome.

### **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK**

Next week is Catholic Schools Week. The theme for 2013 is “Catholic Schools in the Community of Faith: Sharing the Good News” We will be doing a variety of activities throughout the week to celebrate Catholic Education. There are two events that you are welcome to attend:

- Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January at 10.30am – Grandparents Assembly
- Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February at 9.30 – School Mass

The Grandparents’ celebration will take place in the school hall.

### **DANCE CLASSES**

All classes are taking part in a six-week Zumba style dance programme. We began this week and everyone (including some staff) thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Watch out for photos appearing shortly on our website.

### **MUSIC SESSIONS**

We have joined with some other local schools in a cross community music project which will last for 20 weeks. The children will have a chance to try out some instruments and to listen to a wide variety of music and even to compose and perform their own music. The project will lead to a public performance of the work in June.

### **SARAMENTS**

#### **Confirmation**

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February. We will have school Mass at 9.30am in the church. Primary 7 pupils have a Service of Commitment during the Mass to signify the start of an intense period of preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation. All P7 pupils must have at least one parent at this Mass.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 11.30am Mass.

**First Penance**

Primary 3 pupils will receive the Sacrament of Penance for the first time on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 10am.

**First Holy Communion**

Primary 4 pupils will receive First Holy Communion on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 10am Mass.

**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> - Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February (inclusive)	School Closed – Half Term
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of term – School closes @ 11am
<b>EASTER HOLIDAYS</b>	
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of term

Yours sincerely

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