

A message from Miss Kelly

Thank you to all the staff and parents for all your patience, understanding and hard work this term. It has certainly been a challenging one for everyone.

We have thoroughly enjoyed having the children back at school. It's been such a delight greeting them at the gates in the morning. It's also nice to catch up with parents outside too!

We hope as the restrictions begin to lift, we can start to make changes after the summer half term. One more half term of our COVID procedures and hopefully we can start to physically bring our community together.

May the spirit of hope that Easter brings, help you find contentment in little things and restore your faith in the Lord above, who gave his life for the one he loves.

Wishing you all a very happy and Holy Easter.

Track and Trace over the holiday period

The school are required to continue to monitor cases of Coronavirus among the staff and pupils for any cases that arise within the first 2 days following the end of term, in order to isolate any groups who have been in contact with a positive case. We appreciate you might not get your results of a PCR test within this time frame, therefore we will be monitoring emails until Wednesday 7th April. Please email the school office at office@stcatherines.barnetmail.net if your child develops symptoms and/or tests positive within the first week of the holidays so that we can ascertain if any action needs to be taken to isolate other contacts.

If your child is required to isolate due to being in contact with a case outside school and the period of isolation ends after the 19th April, please also let us know so that we can be prepared with home learning at the start of term.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Remembering Ryan

Over the Easter holidays please keep Ryan Daly RIP in your thoughts and prayers as we remember the first anniversary of his passing on 14th April 2020.

We pray that Ryan's dad John, his brother Isaac and sister Rose take comfort from the wonderful thoughts and memories we have of Ryan who continues to remain in our hearts and minds in our St Catherine's community. May his beautiful vibrant soul rest in peace.

Online Safety

The Easter break will no doubt bring with it the chance for more time outside for play. However, many children will continue to find rich social lives, entertainment and pleasure through the online world. We know this comes with the risk of experiencing cyberbully. Here is a useful tool to help discuss the issue with your child. It can help them both to recognise it when they are observing it or if they are victim to or have engaged in that behaviour. Furthermore, it can help equip them with the tools to deal with it and cope.

<https://www.papyrus-uk.org/bedtime-stories/bedtime-stories-chapter-two/>

**Safeguarding is
our TOP
priority**

Safeguarding and Child Protection at St Catherine's is EVERYONES responsibility and is taken extremely seriously. Leaflets for parents and visitors outlining the school guidelines on safeguarding are available outside the school office. We also have a dedicated Safeguarding page on our website with a number of associated policies and details of our designated Safeguarding team. Please contact one of the team at any time if you have concerns.

Family-based Gaelic Football club – St Kiernans

Please see the flyer attached to this week's email. St Kiernan's GFC are looking for boys and girls who want to have fun and develop their ball skills to join their club. Training commences on 9th April and is at King George Playing Fields on Barnet Lane. Children from the age of 4 are welcome to go along and see what it's all about. There will be a mobile snack bar there through the summer months so if you're rushed to get there hopefully this will keep you ticking over. It's a great way to get the children active as the weather starts to improve. If you are interested please contact Mr. Flynn, father of Daniel (Y6) and Cian (Y1) on 07949972806.

Changes to your child's medical conditions

We would like to remind you that if your child is diagnosed with a new medical condition such as eczema or asthma it's important you share this information with us. This ensures we have a health care plan in place to provide your child with the necessary medication.

Also, if your child catches head lice or develops any infections such as impetigo or chickenpox please inform the school office as soon as possible.

John 20: 1-9

Sunday 4th April 2021

Early on Sunday morning, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been taken away from the entrance. She went running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

Then Peter and the other disciple went to the tomb. The two of them were running, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and saw the linen cloths, but he did not go in. Behind him came Simon Peter, and he went straight into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there and the cloth which had been around Jesus' head. It was not lying with the linen cloths but was rolled up by itself. Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in; he saw and believed. (They still did not understand the scripture which said that he must rise from death.)

Prayer:

Lord our God, we thank and praise you for the greatness of your love, shown to us in Jesus Christ, who was willing to die for us, to bring us into your family, and to bless us with the life that lasts for ever.

We thank you for the new life we celebrate at Easter; help us to keep growing in the life that never comes to an end.

We pray for our families, our friends, and all those we care about: fill them with hope and happiness.

We pray for those who are ill, or facing difficulties: may they find hope in the cross of Christ, and be strengthened by the knowledge of your love.

*Lord, accept our prayers, and be with us now and for ever.
Amen.*

House Stars

Well done to all of our children who have earned stars this week!

Gabriel	420
Michael	352
Uriel	487
Raphael	354

The Week Ahead: W/C 19th April 2021

Monday 19 th	Tuesday 20 th	Wednesday 21 st	Thursday 22 nd	Friday 23 rd
Children return				

