



See, think, make. Imagine

Glencull's November News

Movie Madness!

The 'Into Film Festival' is a celebration of film and education. It kicks off this month with screenings, Q&As and workshops for young film buffs and filmmakers all over the country.

As part of the festival Primary 4-5 will be attending a special screening of 'Mario Bros' in The Strule Arts centre in Omagh on 7th Nov. P6 and 7 have voted to see Puss in Boots—The last wish on Thursday 9th. P1-2 will be travelling to Strule Arts Centre on 23rd Nov to see 'The Gruffalo and the Gruffalo's child'.

P3 will see Minions—The Rise of Gru on 15th Nov. The special screenings will

give children the opportunity to discuss how movies are made and what job opportunities are available in the field of the Arts.

On these days the children will be able to get their dinner in school after returning from

their movie.





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What we learn from our Saints

Fr O'Dwyer's homily during this weekend's masses was about what we can learn from the saint names that are present in our households.

He encouraged us all to discuss the saint names that we have in our families and what the lives of these saints can teach us.

St Malachy's feast day is 3rd Nov. From St Malachy's life, we can learn of perseverance. St. Malachy was faced with numerous challenges throughout his journey, yet he never the er veered from his mission. He



St. Malachy not only preached his faith but lived it. He dedicated his life to the service of others, setting a powerful example of selflessness. From him, we learn that the true essence of faith lies not just in our beliefs but in how we put those beliefs into action to help others.

From the life of St. Brigid we learn the true meaning of charity and selflessness. It is said that she would give away everything she had to those in need, even when it left her with nothing

What trees need is very simple

- deep roots into good soil
- plenty of sun, and
- rain in the right season.

A tree grows roots deep into the soil, spreads branches, blooms and fruits and then offers life-giving shelter, food and life to others.

At St. Malachy's Glencull children take root, learn, grow, and adapt to reach their full potential to be the best they can be.

Adverse Weather: Action Plan



Sacraments Dates

As was the case in Jan 2015, adverse weather conditions can hinder the smooth operations of day to day activities in school. In January 2015 we were forced to have an exceptional closure due to the kitchen at St Mary's being closed (which supplies our meals). To avoid this happening this winter the Board of Governors

have put in place the following contingency plan.

In the event of adverse weather closing the meals kitchen the school will send a whats app message by 8.15am to allow parents to prepare a packed lunch for the day ahead.

First Communion.

St Malachy's Church, Ballymacilroy Saturday 27th April 11am.

First Confession

will be arranged for a day TBC during Lent. It will be during the school day as in previous

Confirmation.

Sunday 9th June in Church of the Immaculate Conception at 12noon – one ceremony, all Schools.

Archbishop/Bishop will be Confirming.

P3-7 help with choir on these occasions.

Admissions—P1 Sept 2024

DIGITAL ADMISSIONS APPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN STARTING IN P1 IN SEPT. 2024

The Education Authority (EA) plan to introduce new online applications for admissions for pre-school and primary school places for September 2024 in-

A portal for parents to apply online for a place has been created and it will

include the listing of preferences of schools.

Parents will have the opportunity to amend their submitted application until the closing date. This replaces the current paper based application form.

For admission to the forthcoming academic year, parents will continue to provide your child's birth certificate and any other verifying documents

stipulated in admission criteria directly to the first preference provider/school or you can scan them and upload them.

The Go Live date for the new digital admissions is 10 January 2024(opens 12 noon) Applications close on or before January 2024 (12 noon).



Christmas Appeal

It's the time of year when we encourage people to think about others who are less well off. Instead of our annual shoe box appeal, in December we are asking families to send in essentials that could be part of a hamper for distribution by St. Vincent de Paulwe'll link up with St Ciaran' who are also participating.

The student council will be running an exciting Christmas

draw this year—see details on the opposite page. Therefore, there will be no food hamper raffled this vear!

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul

BATMAN RETURNS

HIS LIBRARY, BOOKS ON TIME

Please return reading books on time! If one pupil doesn't return a book we can't distribute next weeks books due to being short copies.



The Library Van visits :

Wed 8th Nov

Wed 22nd Nov

Children who have their library card will be allowed to go into the van to choose a

Healthy Lunch Box



Each day the children who have a Healthy Fruit only Break with them get an extra 5 minutes before break time to eat their snack. We would encourage all the children to participate in this.

In order to ensure families are not going to expense buying food that goes uneaten, we have put in place some rules to help the children with eating their lunch. It will also help parents see what is being eaten and which items are

If we find that your child is not eating items in their packed lunch we encourage them to bring it home for you to discuss this with them—No food can be thrown in the bin.

Pupils should eat their own lunch and never swap food.

Children should only bring one 'treat' with them per day.

Children should always eat their sandwiches before everything

Always have grapes cut into two piece to avoid hazard.

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Reminder: All absences should be highlighted to school on the day with an email for the class teacher. Please record the date and reason for the absence. The best time to reach teachers and the principal is before 9.05 and after 3.15 via

email, and we will try our utmost to accommodate your needs. Or ring the office to make an appointment. Only use the school landline number to contact teachers 02885568344. What's Apps will not be answered or seen. We request that teachers private numbers, or other private means of communication, are not used to contact teachers.

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Christmas Sho..ho..how.

Save the date: Wednesday 13th December 7pmish venue: School hall!



Big Christmas Draw!

The student council have focused their attention on making using the 36 pitch as easy as possible. They're hoping to put a storage shed beside the pitch.

They've got some help from their friends Pete Harte and David Clifford!!! Pete has sourced a signed Kerry Jersey!

In order to raise funds for the storage shed the Student council will raffle the signed jersey and other prizes for Christmas!



Tree Planting

Mid Ulster District Council have invited P6 and P7 pupils to a Shared Education Tree Planting & Biodiversity Lesson in Tullyvar Recycling Centre on Thursday 30th November 2023 10am-12 noon.

Tree planting
Daffodil bulb planting Tree I.D. lesson
Outdoor Recycling Games Due to the time of year and the nature of this outdoor activity we would ask pupils to wear suitable clothing and footwear e.g.coats/ wellies—ie not uniform. All other equipment will be

provided on the day.



Before your child starts to silently study their list for each day, let them pronounce each word. Children must know how to properly pronounce a word before they attempt to spell it, If their pronunciation is not correct, they will indeed spell it as they would pronounce it in their own way. Also make sure they know what the word means and can use it or understand it when they hear it.

To start studying, a child should look at the word, pronounce it, spell it orally as he looks at it, cover it with his

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hand, and then attempt to spell it or, as he traces it on your kitchen table, letter by letter.

After your child has studied, let's say five words, in the manner described, spell the words to them in random order, and have him name the word you spelled.

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Chocolate Sponge & Custard

13th Nov

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Lunch Bunch Chicken Curry & Naan Bread

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ea catering WEEK 4

6th Nov

Mashed Potato

Yoghurt Pot

Crispy Cod Fishcake with Tomato Ketchu DESSERT

Homemade Ginger Biscuit & Custard

loe Cream Slider & Fruit Aashed Potato, Rice

Cornflake Biscuit & Custard Jelly & Mandarin Oranges

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November Menu

