

## Lent 2022

This year Shrove Tuesday falls on Tuesday, 1st March and Ash Wednesday on Wednesday 2nd. It marks the beginning of six and a half weeks of repentance, fasting and abstinence in preparation for Easter. The ashes from the palms (which have been blessed), that have been kept from last year's Palm Sunday, are mixed with holy water to make a greyish paste. When people go to church on Ash Wednesday, the priest dips his thumb in the paste and uses it to make the sign of the cross on each person's fore-
head.
Children at St Malachy's work on creating their Lenten promises and will discuss them through out lent.
The 40 days of lent replicate the time that Jesus Christ spent in the desert and wilderness in solitude, prayer, and fasting. Jesus showed incredible restraint during the 40 days and so many Christians use Lent as a period to strengthen their own selfdiscipline and take part in giving up certain foods or habits.



## Trying a Variety of Sports

There are a wide number of benefits to participating in a variety of sports and activities. Here are just a few of them:

## Avoid Injury

By playing the same sport, all year round, for years on end, you are at a much higher risk of experiencing overuse injuries. Endlessly training the same muscles and movements without a break can really wear on certain parts of your body. By pursuing a variety of sports, you will learn different movements and train different muscle groups in new ways, which can help to avoid injury and burnout.

Develop New Interests Rather than just playing one sport during the
summer season, trying different sports during the part of the year they are happening can create a better balance of activity throughout the year e.g. winter soccor/rubgy/gymnastics. Obviously if you love a certain sport and only want to do that one, there's no sense in forcing yourself into other things.

## Build a Wider Skill Set

Trying other sports can actually help you to improve their skill set overall. By playing a variety of sports you'll develop a wider range of motor skills while building strength and endurance. Doing something new can help you to use muscles and techniques that they wouldn't otherwise use. This is especially true of sports that utilise one limb or muscle group over the others.

# Opportunities to Participate 

*Beginning this week*:
After Schools Basketball :
6 weeks for Primary 5, 6, 7
Time: 3:15-4:15pm
GIRLS: Wednesday 2nd
BOYS: Thursday 3rd
*£2* per week
Pay in one installment via School Money app
Glencull will be hoping to put a team into a school basketball tournament later in the school year.

## P4-5 Blitz v Altamuskin

In St. Ciaran's College $3 G$ Friday 4th
Wear Errigal Gear into school Weather appropriate

## P6-7 Primary Schools cross country event run by Knockmany Running Club <br> Augher Central Primary school Friday 4th Separate boys and girls races ranging from 600 metres - 1800 metres

Bring a packed lunch and drink in case the event runs past 12.30 with a change of clothes if it is a wet day - football boots recommended for running.
P5-7 Tyrone Blitz
Thursday 10th
March - Tyrone Centre of Excellence, Garvaghy, Wear Errigal Gear into school



Build Up Your $\overline{0}$ rganisational Skills/Habits

Good organisation is a key component to being successful; Here's some tips and tricks to follow that will help you build up a child's organisational skills.
Introduce checklists; This is an easy way to help encourage your children to be organised and get things done in a systematic way. Remember, checklists don't have to be complex they can be simple. Start with easy lists such as '2 things to do before bed' or eventually make them more complex as your child grows older. Referring to lists will help
develop their ability to strategize tasks and organise their time. Assign chores that involve sorting Tasks such as food shopping, sorting, and tidying are great ways to help test your child's organisation abilities.
Encouraging your child to get organised the night before school or a big event is great practice. The more they do it, the more they will develop their skills and get into the habit. Start encouraging your child to keep their homework, notes in an organ-
ised way. Establishing a homework routine and setting up a study schedule will enable your child to plan and organise their time efficiently and effectively.
In class and around the school we'll be asking the children to keep their own and shared areas tidy, e.g. the cloak room.

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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { WEEK } \\ & 28 / 2 \\ & 28 / 3 \end{aligned}$ | Breaded Fish Fingers Or Spaghetti Bolognaise <br> Baked Beans <br> Medley of Fresh Vegetables <br> Mashed Potato <br> Vanilla Ice Cream, Oranges <br> \& Chocolate Sauce | Breast of Chicken Curry \& Rice, Naan Bread Or Steak Burger <br> Baton Carrots <br> Gravy <br> Mashed Potato <br> Salad Selection <br> Sponge with Jam Topping \& Custard | Homemade Breaded Chicken Goujons Or Spicy Chicken in a Warm Tortilla wrap <br> Sweetcorn, Hot Pasta Twists Mashed Potato Salad Selection <br> Fresh Fruit Selection and Yoghurt | Roast Chicken Or Roast Beef <br> Traditional Stuffing, Gravy <br> Fresh Baton Carrots <br> Broccoli Florets <br> Mashed Potato <br> Rice Krispie Square \& Custard | Hot Dog Or <br> Homemade Margherita Pizza <br> Peas <br> Tossed Salad <br> Chips <br> Mashed Potato <br> Oat Biscuits \& Fresh Fruit Chunks |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { WEEK } \\ & 7 / 3 \end{aligned}$ | Steak Burger Or <br> Pasta Twists with homemade <br> Tomato sauce and Sliced Chicken <br> Gravy, Broccoli Florets <br> Fresh Baton Carrots <br> Mashed Potato <br> Chocolate Cracknel \& Custard | Homemade Margherita Pizza Or Breast of Chicken Curry with Boiled Rice \& Naan Bread <br> Sweetcorn <br> Pasta Twists Salad Selection <br> Fresh Fruit Selection and Yoghurt | Fresh Breaded Fish Goujons <br> Or <br> Chicken Crumble <br> Baked Beans <br> Garden Peas <br> Mashed Potato <br> Salad Selection <br> Strawberry Jelly \& Fruit or Yoghurt | Roast Breast of Chicken Or Savoury Mince <br> Traditional Stuffing Gravy <br> Cauliflower Cheese Fresh Diced Carrots / Parsnip, Mashed Potato <br> Vanilla Cake \& Custard | Chicken Nuggets Or <br> Baked Potato with Chicken <br> \& Cheese <br> Sweetcorn <br> Chips <br> Baked Potato <br> Salad Selection <br> Ice Cream with Fresh Fruit |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { WEEK } \\ & 14 / 3 \end{aligned}$ | Breaded Fish Fingers Or Pasta Bolognaise <br> Baked Beans <br> Sweetcorn <br> Garden Peas <br> Mashed Potato <br> Flakemeal Biscuit, Fruit \& Custard | Homemade Salt \& Chilli Or Traditional Chicken Goujons Or Mac \& Cheese <br> Broccoli Florets Mashed Potato Salad Selection <br> Raspberry ripple Ice Cream Slice Fresh Fruit Chunks | Oven Baked Sausage Or Sweet \& Sour Chicken with Rice <br> Garden Peas <br> Baton Carrots, Mashed Potato <br> Baby Boiled Potatoes <br> Fresh Fruit Selection and Yoghurt |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { WEEK } \\ & 21 / 3 \end{aligned}$ | Breast of Chicken Curry with Boiled Rice \& Naan Bread Or Oven Baked Sausage <br> Baton Carrots <br> Garden Peas Gravy Mashed Potato <br> Fresh Fruit Selection and Yoghurt | Spaghetti Bolognaise Or Fresh Breaded Fish Fillets <br> Broccoli \& Cauliflower Florets Mashed Potato <br> Jelly \& Fruit \& Ice Cream | Roast Breast Chicken Or Brown Stew <br> Traditional Stuffing Gravy, Diced Turnip Fresh Baton Carrots Mashed Potato <br> Chocolate Muffin Cake \& Custard | Homemade Salt \& Chilli Or Traditional Chicken Goujons Chicken Tortilla Wraps <br> Baked Beans <br> Sweetcorn, Salad Selection Mashed Potato <br> Flakemeal Biscuit Fingers, Fruit \& Custard | Homemade Margherita Pizza Or <br> Fish finger <br> Sweetcorn <br> Traditional Champ <br> Chips <br> Salad Selection <br> Artic Roll \& Fruit Chunks |

Menu Subject to Deliveries

## Fōest Schō

> P2-3 will be travelling to Round Lake in Fivemiletown to participate in Forest School on Wednesday 30th March. Bring a packed *lunch*. No uni-form- wear *warm* clothes.

Where possible children should bring their own waterproofs and wellies in a separate bag. Examples of activities: den building, shelter building, tree measuring, tree identification, mud art and
lighting a fire.
All activities are linked to the National Curriculum and children are encouraged to develop their curiosity and motivation to learn.

