

# 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.

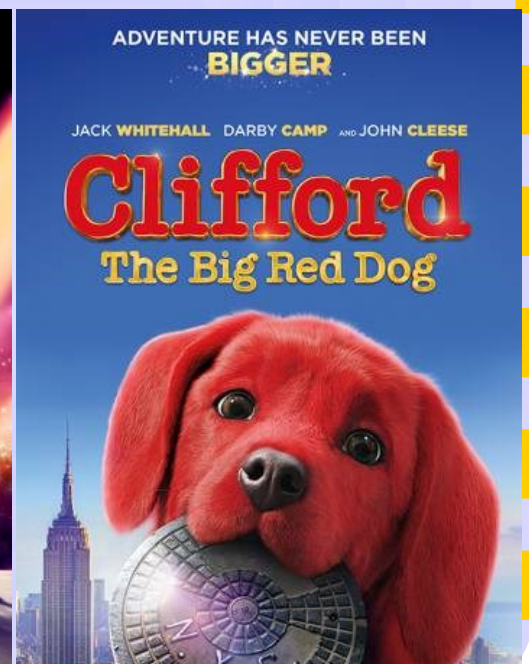
As part of the festival Primary 4-5 will be attending a special screening of 'Sing2' in The Strule Arts centre in Omagh on 17th Nov. P1-3 will be travelling to Strule Arts Centre on 22nd Nov to see 'Clifford the Big Red Dog'.

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.



## Mural Madness

St Malachy's new Foyer has had a make over with a mural on our new cupboards.

We've teamed up with graphic designer Mark Rehill to create a mural for our front hall. The mural has been filled with images that define what it means to be connected to St Malachy's and Errigal Ciaran Parish

thanks to your suggestions about being from this place. The staff here have been reading about 'whakapapa' in a book called 'Belonging' by Owen Eastwood. It's a Māori idea that each of us is part of an unbroken and unbreakable chain of people who share a sacred identity and culture.

Everyone has a part to play. Those that were here in the past had their part to play and we'll have our part to play.

In the last of 6 panels the children will see their own reflection.



## Adverse Weather: Action Plan

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.*

## Sacraments Dates

### Sacrament of Confirmation

Sunday 4th June

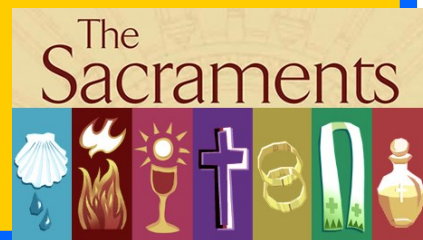
Venue TBC

11am for P7 St Brigid's and St Malachy's Primary Schools;

### First Communion

Saturday 21st May at 11am St Malachy's Church for St Malachy's Primary School

P3-7 help with choir on these occasions.



## Admissions—P1 Sept 2023

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DIGITAL ADMISSIONS APPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN STARTING IN P1 IN SEPT. 2023

The Education Authority (EA) plan to introduce new online applications for admissions for pre-school and primary school places for September 2023 intake.

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 Tuesday 10 January 2023 (opens 12 noon) Applications close on or before 27 January 2023 (12 noon).

## St Malachy's Primary School

Glencull

Starting P1 in Sept 2023

### Personal Guided Tour

An opportunity for you and your child to meet the principal, staff and pupils at St Malachy's. You will see the school operating on a normal school day, at a time that is convenient to you.

Apply online - The Go Live date for the new digital admissions is Wednesday 2 January 2023 at 10:00am.

<b>NOW ENROLLING</b>		At St Malachy's we offer:		To arrange a time that is suitable for you and your child, contact us on 02885568344 or 07890051243	
P1-2 After School—2pm—3.15		Breakfast Club—8am		Or email: bgormley892@c2kni.net	
Traditional music—Banjo, fiddle, Madeline, tin whistle.	Covered Outdoor area	Swimming lessons	Football/hurling Coaching	Great Friends	
2 Play trails	After Schools	Classical Music—Violin, Flute and Drums	Lots of School Trips	Top Class Achievement	Great Fun

## 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 Paul.

P6/7 children will collect the donations for the SVP hampers and the rest of the school will collect for our normal Christmas hamper appeal which will be raffled after our school Christmas Show! 15th Dec.



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 9th Nov

Wed 23rd Nov

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

# 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 not:

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 else.

Always have grapes cut into two piece to avoid choking hazard.

Reminder: We are a nut free school!



# one 'treat' per day

# Absence notes

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.

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

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	Governor Roll	Name	Roles
1	Nominating Trustee	Fr. O Dwyer	
2	Trustee	Mrs. Roisin Hackett	Vice Chairperson
3		Mr. Austin Walsh	Chairperson
4		Mr. Garrett Loughran	
5	Education Authority Appointee	Mr. Michael McRory	
6		Mr. Ruairi Maguire	
7	Elected Parent Governor	Pauline Mc Ginley	Safeguarding
8	Elected Teacher Governor	Stephen Donaghy (St Mary's)	
9	Department of Education Appoin-	Mrs. Una Canavan	Special needs

## School Governors

Every school is managed by a Board of Governors that works alongside the school Principal and staff to meet the educational needs of the school pupils in a secure and safe environment. Our Board of Governors is shared with St Mary's PS in Ballygawley. Some representatives are elected to the position, while others are suggested by the EA, DENI and the parish. A huge thank you to those Governors who are in position at present. The role of the Board of Governors is to ensure that the school provides pupils with an outstanding education. The Board of Governors set the plans and policies of the school, employs the school staff and manages the expenditure of the school budget. Thank you to governors for their service to St Malachy's community.

# November Menu



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 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.

## Spelling homework

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 1 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Spaghetti Bolognese Or Ham & Cheese Melt Garden Peas Salad Selection Pasta Salad Mashed Potato Gravy Sponge with Jam Topping & Custard	Homemade Breaded Chicken Goujons & Dip Or Chicken Wrap Diced Carrots Salad Selection Herb Diced Potato Jelly & Ice-Cream Slice with Orange Segments	Breast of Chicken Curry with Boiled Rice & Naan Bread Or Oven Baked Breaded Fish Fingers Sweetcorn, Broccoli Florets Mashed Potato Fresh Fruit Or Fresh Yoghurt	Roast Breast of Chicken Or Roast Pork Traditional Stuffing Fresh Diced Carrots, Broccoli Florets Oven Roast Potato Mashed Potato, Gravy Rice Krispie Square & Custard	Oven Baked Sausage Or Peppered Chicken Garden Peas Tossed Salad Baked Beans Baked Potato Chips Ice Cream Tub & Fruit Pieces
WEEK 2 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Homemade Margherita Pizza Ham & Cheese Pizza Or Chicken Panini Garden Peas Tossed Salad Herb Diced Potato Flake meal Biscuit & Water Melon Slice	Breast of Chicken Curry with Boiled Rice & Naan Bread Or Steak Burger Broccoli Florets Carrots Mashed Potato, Gravy Muffin Cake & Custard	Italian Pasta Bake Or Fresh Breaded Fish Goujons Baked Beans Sweetcorn / Garden Peas Mashed Potato Jelly & Ice-Cream Slice Or Fresh Fruit	Roast Breast of Chicken Or Chicken Crumble Traditional Stuffing Fresh Diced Carrots / Parsnip Oven Roast Potato Mashed Potato, Gravy Fruit Sponge & Custard	Chicken Nuggets Or Beef Lasagne Sweetcorn Salad Selection Mashed Potato Chips Frozen Yoghurt & Fruit Pieces
WEEK 3 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Oven Baked Breaded Fish Fingers Or Savoury Mince Carrots Garden Peas Mashed Potato Fresh Fruit Or Fresh Yoghurt	Breast of Chicken Curry & Boiled Rice & Naan Bread Or Chicken Panini / Wrap Sweetcorn Broccoli Florets Herb Diced Potato Jelly & Fruit Pieces	Homemade Breaded Chicken Goujons & Dip Or Cottage Pie Salad Selection Baked Beans, Diced Turnip Mashed Potato, Gravy Rice Pudding Or Fresh Yoghurt Or Fresh Fruit	Roast Gammon Or Chicken & Pasta Bake Traditional Stuffing Fresh Baton Carrots Cauliflower Florets, Mashed Potato, Oven Roast Potato Gravy Ginger Biscuit & Custard	Oven Baked Sausages Or Macaroni Cheese Garden Peas Coleslaw Baked Potato Chips Ice Cream & Fruit Pieces
WEEK 4 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Steak Burger Or Stuffed Bacon Roll Baked Beans Sweetcorn Broccoli Florets Mashed Potato, Gravy Fresh Fruit Or Fresh Yoghurt	Pasta Bolognese Or Fresh Breaded Fish Goujons Fresh Baton Carrot Garden Peas Herb Diced Potato Parsley Sauce Eton Mess (Meringue, Fruit & Yoghurt)	Breast of Chicken Curry with Boiled Rice & Naan Bread Or Oven Baked Sausage Garden Peas Diced Carrots Mashed Potato, Gravy Fresh Fruit salad Jelly	Roast Breast of Chicken Or Flaked Salmon Wrap Traditional Stuffing Broccoli Floret Tossed Green Salad Oven Roast Potatoes Mashed Potato, Gravy Chocolate Brownie & Custard	Homemade Margherita Pizza Or Marinated Chicken & Vegetable Stir-Fry Noodles Sweetcorn, Salad Selection Chips Ice Cream & Fruit Pieces