

# ST KIERAN'S FORTNIGHTLY

Dear Parent

Welcome to the latest edition of our Newsletter. Please remember the school is closed on Thursday, 17 March, Friday, 18 March and Monday, 21 March. Have a great St Patrick's Day!

## IT'S PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE TIME!

We are seeking your views about many issues relating to St Kieran's. This will assist us in writing a new 3 year School Development Plan which will start in September 2022. Your participation is important and will help us to make improvements to aspects of school life. A link to the questionnaire will be sent out via Seesaw later today. Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete the questionnaire!

# WEAR GREEN DAY

## OUR VISION & MISSION STATEMENT

**WE HAVE DEVELOPED A NEW VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT TO REFLECT OUR ASPIRATIONS TO MEET THE EDUCATION AND PASTORAL NEEDS OF ALL OUR CHILDREN.**

**OUR NEW VISION IS:  
TO DEVELOP FUTURE GLOBAL CITIZENS IN A HOLISTIC, INCLUSIVE, NURTURING AND TECHNOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENT, WHERE WE CELEBRATE SUCCESS, RAISE SELF-ESTEEM AND PROMOTE A LOVE OF LEARNING.**

**OUR NEW MISSION STATEMENT IS:  
TO BUILD AN INSPIRATIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITY WITH CHRIST AT THE CORE OF OUR VALUES.**



On Wednesday, 16 March we will have a wear green day. Let your imagination run wild!!! Whatever you choose to do, the day is a non-uniform day. Cost - £1 per pupil or £2 per family. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOUR CREATIONS!

### ST PATRICK'S DAY FACTS

The shamrock was called the "seamroy" by the Celts and was considered a sacred plant that symbolized the arrival of spring. According to legend, St. Patrick used the plant as a visual guide when explaining the Holy Trinity. By the 17th century, the shamrock had become a symbol of emerging Irish nationalism.

The colour associated with St Patrick's Day used to be BLUE! However, during the Rebellion of 1798, Irish soldiers wore full green uniforms on March 17 to make a political statement. As a result, the shift from blue to green happened!

It is incredible how many countries celebrate St Patrick's day around the world. Countries include New Zealand, Australia, Argentina, Turkey, West Indies (Montserrat), the United States, Belgium, South Africa, Germany, Canada, Spain, UAE and India.

# LIFE IS GOOD IN PRIMARY 4!

