



February 13<sup>th</sup> 2023

**Closed Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> & Friday 17<sup>th</sup> for mid-term break**



**First Communion:** Fr. Martin's 2<sup>nd</sup> Special Children's Mass for Preparing for the Sacraments takes place Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February @ 11.30am

**School Closed for Staff Inservice Mon. 27<sup>th</sup> Feb.:** NCSE are facilitating a day's in-service for all staff to support us with our new ASD Class. **No pupils in school.**

**WEBSITE:** [www.stfrancisjs.com](http://www.stfrancisjs.com) It's our official means of communicating with the community. Click on School Year for current information and please look at GALLERY as that's where you'll find loads of photos of the children learning through activities and play in school.

There's also a link on the home page to our School Facebook Group



**Absences:** Our EWO (Educational Welfare Office) is now looking at pupils with a lot of absences this school year, and will be meeting some families on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>, with more meetings to follow. It's important to have your child in school as much as possible.

**Grandparents' Morning:** Thank you so much to all the grandparents and parents who turned up for Grandparents Morning. It was just brilliant to see so many people. It was bedlam but we all had a great get-together.



**NEW Junior Infants September 2023:** Please let friends and family know that we are currently enrolling children for September 2023. Forms can be collected at the office 8.50am-2.20pm daily.

**Stay Safe is part of the SPHE** (Social Personal & Health Education) programme in all primary schools. The programme seeks to enhance children's self-protective skills by participation in lessons on safe and unsafe situations, bullying, inappropriate touch, secrets, telling and stranger danger.



**Mighty Mouths Assembly:** Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February SENIOR Infants @ 9am: *Adrienne our Dental Nurse will be giving the children their certificates for fabulous teeth hygiene.*

**HSCL Teacher:** Ms. Delaney: 086 014 0321 organised BOOK GIFTING for Jr. and Sr. Infants. All children received a new book, read it at home, completed an activity page and then we had an assembly where they shared the book with all of us and their parents. They were very brave as they spoke to a big audience. Well done 😊

Sincerely, A. Plunkett