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Monday, 2nd February, 2015.

Dear Parent,

- Congratulations to Year Six pupils who participated in the Credit Union Quiz on Friday night. They represented our school brilliantly and received a £50 cheque for our school funds. Well done!
- Workmen are currently completing work at the school gates at the front of our school. They are usually finished before hometime, however, please take extra care if you are driving passed the school or collecting your children off the bus at 3.10pm.
- Tomorrow is the **Feast of St. Blaise**. Fr. Connolly will be coming into school tomorrow to bless everyone's throat. Saint Blaise's protection of those with throat troubles apparently comes from a legend that a boy was brought to him who had a fishbone stuck in his throat. The boy was about to die when Saint Blaise healed him.
- A sincere Thank You to everyone who came to our Mass last Wednesday and our
 Afternoon Tea For Grandparents and/or sent in photographs. It was a great
 day, enjoyed by all. A special Thank You to staff for helping to organise the event.
 Please come in and have a look at our wonderful display of photographs beside the
 Pupils' Den.
- Your child's Newsletter/Learning Support Sheet for February will be issued next Monday.
- A Confirmation Information Evening for parents of pupils in Year 7 has been arranged for Tuesday, 24th February @ 7.30pm in the school Assembly Hall.

'We learn to love and love to learn.'

- A reminder that pupils in Years 5-7 must wear their PE uniform to school on a Monday, Thursday and Friday, not casual clothes. Please refer to our Uniform Policy which is available to view on our website.
- **Swimming** for pupils in **Year 6/7** will begin this **Thursday, 5th February**. I will be accompanying pupils to the pool. Pupils are asked to bring suitable clothing, a towel, etc., with them.
- **The Year Six** after-school **Homework Club** continues this Tuesday afternoon from 3.10pm to 4.30pm.
- First Confession for our Year Four pupils will take place on **Wednesday**, **25th February @ 7pm** in **St. Patrick's Church, Eskra**. Pupils who are in the school choir will also be expected to attend.
- A display of pupils' work completed during Catholic Schools Week will be in St. Patrick's Church, Eskra by Wednesday of this week.
- **February** is the month of **Forgiveness**. Pupils will be learning about the importance of forgiving themselves and others They will be completing work based on this theme throughout the month of February.
- Our **Thinking Skill and Personal Capability** focus for **February** is **Self-Management** at home and at school. Please refer to your child's Newsletter/ Learning Support Sheet for February to see ways that you can help at home.
- The dates for the **Feis poems/prose** are as follows: 13th April, 2015 21st April, 2015.

We will only be given the specific dates for each age group when the cards are issued to us. Parents will be notified then.

• Please find attached a note from a parent, **Patricia Campbell**. If you would like to make a donation, please enclose it in a money wallet, marked Alice and return it to school by **Friday, 6th February**. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Keira McCallan (Principal)

