



St. Malachy's Primary School

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Dear Parents

Please find attached a copy of our Healthy Break Policy. We would ask that you please co-operate in providing your children with a healthy option for their snack and drink.

The school photographer will be in school tomorrow to take P1 and family group photos if so requested.

Math Week Ireland commenced today, Monday 13th October. To participate we would ask that children bring in coins on Friday 17th and these coins will be sorted and counted in class. The total amount will be donated to the Cardiac Care Association of Craigavon Area Hospital.

We have been fortunate to secure additional Extended Schools funding as part of the Armagh primary schools cluster group to address numeracy. The cluster, comprising all the maintained primary schools in the parish, decided to invest in "Count, Read, Succeed" which is a programme designed to target under-achievement. The Primary 4 class in each primary school has been selected as the target group. Children in P4 will be afforded the opportunity to stay behind from 3 – 4 pm to work on numeracy. As this funding comes from Extended Schools, the programme has to be delivered after the school day. The nature of this programme is such that only a small number of children can be targeted at the one time. The programme will run throughout the school year. It is hoped that each child will benefit. A separate note will be distributed to Primary 4 parents with more details.

A copy of the 2013 – 2014 Annual Report of the Board of Governors is currently available on the school website. The website has been revamped and copies of general school letters will be available on-line. Our website address is www.stmalachysprimary.org.

Yours sincerely

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Principal