



St. Malachy's Primary School

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Dear Parents

Please be aware the school will be closed on **Friday 30th September** for a Staff Development Day.

We would remind all parents to check for headlice. If headlice are discovered please treat accordingly. Advice on headlice is available from the School Health team on 028 37412510.

We would once more remind you to apply for free school meals if your child meets the criteria. A pupil shall be entitled to Free School Meals if:

- the parent/guardian is in receipt of Income Support, Income-Based Jobseeker's Allowance, Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance, or if a pupil claims Income Support in their own name; or,
- the parent/guardian is in receipt of Child Tax Credit or Working Tax Credit and have an annual taxable income of £16,190 or less.

This free school meals quota is one means the Department of Education use to provide funding to schools. Therefore, we would encourage you to make an application if you meet the criteria above even if your child does not avail of school dinners.

Thank you for your response to our after school activities. Gaelic football will not commence this week. We will soon be offering pottery to Key Stage 2. Numbers for pottery will be limited.

The school photographer will be here tomorrow morning (Wednesday) to take P1, P7 and family photos.

A concelebrated Mass for the school's 60th anniversary will take place on **Wednesday 19th October in St Malachy's Church at 7.30 pm**. All welcome.

We are actively recruiting new PTA members. The next meeting of the PTA will be held on **Tuesday 27th September at 7.00 pm** in school.

Yours sincerely

PAUL DUGGAN
Principal