

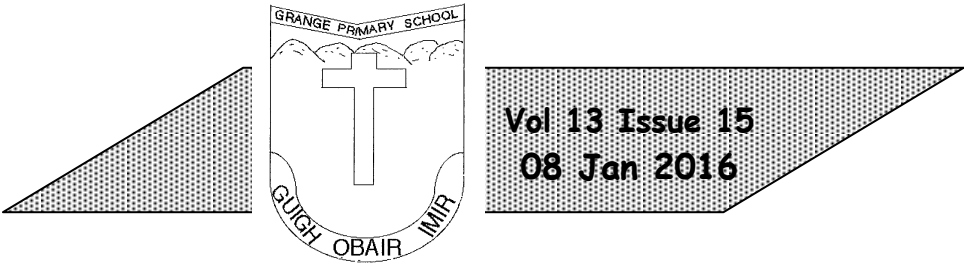
Mass Attendance in Our Lady of Lourdes, Grange:

Date	Class	Time
06/01/16 Feast of the Epiphany	Whole school mass	9.00am (earlier start time)
07/01/16	P1	9.30am
14/01/16	P6/7	9.30am
21/01/16	P5/6	9.30am
28/01/16	P3/4	9.30am
04/02/16	Whole school mass Catholic School's Week	9.30am
10/02/16	Whole School Ash Wednesday	9.00am
11/02/16	P2/3	9.30am
25/02/16	P1	9.30am
03/03/16	P6/7	9.30am
10/03/16	P5/6	9.30am
24/03/16	P3/4	tbc

Up at The Kingdom:

Friday: 7pm Movie Night 'The Good Dinosaur'
Saturday No P1 to P4 Football today
Monday 7.30pm Registration Night at Dunavil
Wednesday 615pm U6 & U8 Camogie; 715pm U10 & U12 Camogie

*THE PUPILS, GOVERNORS & STAFF
OF GRANGE PRIMARY SCHOOL
WELCOME BACK ALL OUR MEMBERS
AND WISH EVERYONE
A HAPPY NEW YEAR*



Grange Newsletter



On Tuesday, Patsy and Helen Sloan visited school to receive a cheque for £390 raised through the latest Friends of Grange Coffee Morning in school. They are pictured with many of the children who were able to come along and help out on the day.

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<p>Welcome Back: We welcome back all our pupils and staff, safe and sound after the Christmas holidays. It was pretty obvious that Santa definitely didn't forget to stop in Kilkeel based on the number of presents and the conversations over the last couple of days.</p>
<p>Mass attendance: Feast of the Epiphany: The whole school attended mass on Wednesday morning, the Feast of the Epiphany. Well done to the children in Ms Hughes's class who attended mass yesterday morning. A rota of upcoming mass attendance is on the the reverse side of this sheet.</p>
<p>Sacramental Dates: Dates have been confirmed within the parish for the celebration of the Sacrament of the Eucharist and Confirmation respectively: Holy Communion for Grange PS pupils will take place on Saturday 7th May at 10.00am Confirmation for our 3 parish schools will take place on Monday 9th May at 4.00pm. A busy 3 days. We can also confirm that our Primary 3 pupils will be conferred with the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday 8th March at 6.00pm.</p>
<p>2016 Calendars: Our 2016 calendars are now available and they look great! Each child is pictured on their birthday month and we encourage families to buy these as they are a school fundraising initiative. All families have received an order form to purchase copies at £5.00 or they can be bought through the Office.</p>
<p>Our School in the Parish: Many thanks to all the P3 children and their families who participated in the weekly liturgy of the mass during Advent and for all the children who assisted with services over Christmas. Responsibility now turns to the P4 children and their families as each of the children will have an opportunity to assist with The Offertory of the Mass prior to the celebration of the Sacrament of the Eucharist. A rota for P4 families' participation will be confirmed.</p>
<p>Open Enrolment to Primary 1 in September 2016: The application period for parents to apply for a place in Primary 1/ preschool in September 2016 is now open. Please contact school for an application form, and school prospectus. <i>Closing date for return of applications is: 12.noon on Wednesday 13th January.</i> All returned application forms must be accompanied by a copy of the child's full birth certificate.</p>

P1-3 Parent - Teacher Meetings:
Parents of children in these respective year groups will shortly receive a letter detailing dates for these meetings due to take place in the week beginning **Monday 8th February**. Parents will be sent a form asking for them to nominate preferred times on a specific date and we will also try to accommodate parents who have children in more than one class for this purpose also.

Primary 1 Assembly:
The Primary 1 pupils will present their first assembly in our school on **Monday 1st February at 10.00am** on the theme of St. Brigid and an introduction to Catholic Schools Week. All parents and family members are warmly invited to attend.

DVD Recording:
Copies of the Christmas Play performances are now available. Copies have been sent home today with children who have paid in advance. Any other parents who ordered copies are asked to send in payment (**£5.00 per disc**) asap.

Catholic Schools Week:
Catholic Schools Week will take place this Year of Mercy from 31st January – 6th February. This year’s theme is : “Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service.” We will explore these themes with the children in each class at an appropriate level.

Panto Outings:
Primary 4-7 enjoyed their outing to the Grand Opera House on Wednesday 6th January. On **Thursday 14th January** the children from P-/3 will travel to Newry to see Snow White. Please see the note which P1-3 children brought home today.

P6 Parents:
There will be a meeting for ALL parents of children in the P6 year group at 2.00pm on **Wednesday 20th January** to inform parents of Department of Education guidelines in relation to post-primary transfer in September 2017.

House Points:
Well done to Term 1 winners.
The housepoint competition is up and running again for Term 2.
Upcoming dates for the Diary:

Date	Activity
Thu 14 th Jan	P1-3 Panto trip
Thu 14 th Jan	St. Columban’s Open Night -7.30pm
Wed 20 th Jan	Transfer Meeting for P6 parents at 2.00pm
Tue 26 th Jan	NSPCC School Awareness Day
Sun 31 st Jan	Catholic Schools Week begins
Mon 1 st Feb	P1 Class assembly at 10.00am
Sat 30 st Jan	GL Assessment Transfer Results posted.
Mon 15 th – Fri 19 th Feb	Mid Term break – Pupils OFF school