



Weekly Note

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PTA Meeting

The PTA will be meeting on **Monday 23rd January 2017** in the staff room at 7pm. All new members welcome.

Dinner Money

REMINDER: The price of school meals is now **£2.55 PER DAY**. Please ensure you provide the correct money for meals. Please ensure dinner money for the week is paid on a Monday for the rest of the week. Your support in this is greatly appreciated.

Getting Ready to Learn

The school have received funding for pre-school courses for parents. **The course will be held in school from 6pm-7pm on Wednesday evening beginning on Wednesday 25th January and running for 4 weeks.** This is targeted at parents of reception children and those with children below school age. We will be looking at the themes Ages and Stages, Happy Healthy Kids, Education in Pre School and the Big Bedtime read. I would like to invite reception parents and any other parents within the school who have children who are not yet at school to attend. This is a very worthwhile course which gives great ideas about play and developing learning at home.

School Swimming: CHANGE OF DATE

The children in Mr Flanagan's class will start their school swimming lessons on **Tuesday 31st January. Swimming lessons will take place every Tuesday morning. Please provide your child with the appropriate swimming gear and a towel every Tuesday.** The cost of swimming is £3.50 per week per child and this includes admission to the pool and transport.

Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week runs from Sunday 29th January to Sunday 4th February 2017. The theme for this week is "Called to serve". Four pupils from the school have been invited to represent the school at a special mass celebrated by the Bishop this Thursday 26th January in the Cathedral.

Readers for Mass Sunday 15th January 2017

Big congratulations to the children who led our service on Sunday in St Mary's Oratory. Mollie, Daemon, Nora, Daniel, Cian and Evie were great ambassadors for the school and led the liturgy with great confidence. Well done boys and girls and thank you to the other families who also came to mass it was lovely to see our school so well represented.