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Monday, 16th November, 2020.

Dear Parent,

Please read the following notes carefully:

• This week is Anti-Bullying Week. The theme this year is United Against Bullying. Pupils will be completing special activities in class and for homework during this week. A sincere Thank You from our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors Team to eveyone who supported our Odd Sock Day on Friday. £72 was raised for Anti-Bullying resources.

Perhaps you could talk to your child about the importance of everyone taking a stand together against bullying behaviour. Talk to your child about the true definition of bullying as outlined in our policy:

Bullying is the <u>repeated</u> use of power by one or more people intentionally to harm, hurt or adversely affect the rights and needs of another or others.

Please check the Northern Ireland Anti-Bullying website- <u>www.endbullying.org.uk</u> – for further information.

A copy of our **Anti-Bullying Policy** is displayed on our website within Parents-Policies. If you would prefer a paper copy, please ask Mrs. Carson. Please read this policy carefully.

- If pupils have any appointments during the school day or if they have to go home early due to an accident or feeling unwell, could we ask that they are collected at Reception in the main school building, please. This includes pupils in Year 1/2. Thank you.
- Friends of St Patrick's are running a raffle to raise money for school funds. The prize is an Apple 10.2 inch I-pad 128 GB very generously sponsored by Taranto

'We learn to love and love to learn.'

Ltd. Further details and entries are via our new Friends of St. Patrick's P.S. Eskra Facebook page. £10 per entry payable by PayPal to stpatrickseskrapa@gmail.com. Enter before **30th November**, winner announced on **5th December**. It is a difficult time to fundraise as we all know so please spread the word, and be in with a chance to win a fabulous early Christmas present. A huge thank you to Taranto on behalf of the PA.

• Our **Christmas Dinner** for pupils and staff is planned for **Friday, 11th December.** Special Covid procedures will be in place to ensure that it is both a safe and an enjoyable experience for everyone. As usual, school will close at **12.45pm** on that day. Further information to follow.

• Parents of pupils in Year Seven:

A wellie rack has been installed in a sheltered area outside to store our wellies for Forest School activities. Could I ask that a pair of wellies **that can remain in school** are sent in with your Year Seven child over the next few weeks. This will enable us to go outside to complete outdoor activities at other times during the week in addition to Tuesday's Forest School session.

Take care and stay safe.

Yours sincerely,

Keira McCallan

Mrs. Keira McCallan (Principal)