

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER APRIL 2016



PRINCIPAL

The Board of Governors has appointed Mr Malachy Conlon as Principal of Mary Queen of Peace PS. He will plan for the amalgamation of both parish schools.

Mr Conlon has visited St Mary's and Glenravel Primary Schools before Easter to meet the staff and children. I will introduce him to the parish at Masses this weekend.

On behalf of the parish community, I wish Mr Conlon well in his post, as we look forward to the future for Catholic education in the parish.

Gabriel Lyons (Rev)

Chair of Board of Governors

BUILDING UPDATE

The Department of Education and Trustees are committed to providing a new school for the parish. At this time there are some planning issues to be resolved. These issues concern access to the site including a pedestrian path.

Discussions continue and as soon as information becomes available it will be published.

LOGO

The school logo reflects our Glenravel Parish identity as well as the location of the school building. We look forward to the children wearing the logo on their uniform and being proud and confident to be a pupil of Mary Queen of Peace PS.



TRANSPORT

Planning the transport arrangements for September 2016 is taking place with the Education Authority. The school will operate on the existing two sites next year. Transport arrangements will include:

- Transporting children to and from school in the morning/afternoon;
- Transferring children between the Glenravel and Cargan sites, where this is required

Applications forms for Education Authority Transport will be distributed later this term along with details of where the different classes will be located.

UNIFORM

To prepare for the new school and a new beginning for education in the parish, a process of consultation on school uniform will take place during the month of April. The views of parents, staff, community and the children will be very important when deciding the school colours.

After initial consultations there is a choice between two main colours:

- Navy
- Purple



Navy sweatshirt, green polo shirt
navy or grey trousers/skirt

CONTACT DETAILS

The e-mail address for the school will be:

info@mqpps.glenravel.ni.sch.uk

This e-mail address will become operational later in the term. It will also be necessary to name one of the school sites as the main point of telephone contact. We will advise you of this number in future correspondence.

Samples of the uniform will be on display in:

- The Church (Sat 2 – Tue 12 April)
- St. Mary's PS (Wed 13 – Tue 19 April)
- Glenravel PS (Wed 20 – Tue 26 April)
- Glenravel Community Playgroup (Wed 27 – Fri 29 April)

Consultation forms will be available beside the display and should be returned to the School Uniform Consultation Box by: **Friday 29 April 2016.**

Below are examples of the two main colours. The consultation form and display will also offer alternative selections.



Purple sweatshirt, white polo shirt
grey trousers/skirt

OFFICIAL SCHOOL OPENING

The school will be opened by Bishop Noel Treanor on **8 September 2016** with Mass in the church.

