

Community News

Magical Valentine's Night

Monday 14th February

Your child is invited to a fun filled night straight from school on Monday 14th February. Mr Merlin will be making his magical appearance this year!

As it will be held in our school hall it will be a first come, first served basis!

Tickets will be £5, to be paid via Parent Pay which includes:

- ❖ A magic show
- ❖ Drink and snack
- ❖ A creative balloon to take home

Letters to follow with more details.



Football Strips

From now, until the Easter holidays, we will be collecting full sets of Football strips (T-shirt, shorts and socks) to donate to Liberia. Boots, gloves and shin pads would also be welcomed. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

Unwanted clothing and shoes

As a school, we are working with Fundraise and Recycle Limited to raise funds for school while recycling unwanted clothing. This is a North-East based company who aim to raise awareness of the importance of recycling in schools. We are asking for donations of clothes and shoes to be re-sold, re-used and recycled as part of Fundraise and Recycle's 'Schoolconnect' programme. All donations will generate funds for school. If you have any donations, please send them into school with your child.

Thank you in advance for your support.

St. Patrick's Day

Thursday 17th March

To celebrate St. Patrick's Day, the Friends would like you to join in...

'THE ST. PATRICK'S BAKE OFF'

This year we would like you to bake cupcakes in a St. Patrick's Day theme. Your masterpieces will be voted for, by each child in the school and any family members that comes along for coffee and cake in the afternoon.

Votes will be £1 and names will be put into a raffle. The raffle will be drawn at 2pm and your cakes will be taken home by one of your voters!

Come and have a coffee and cake from 2PM and look at the fabulous creations.

Show us your showstoppers...

READY, STEADY, BAKE!!!



Easter Walk

Friday 8th April 2pm

Children are invited to the popular Easter Walk in Blackhill Park! All parents and families are welcome to take part with a £1 donation via Parent Pay. The children will receive a prize at the end of the walk.

If you cannot make it, don't worry your child can still take part with teachers and will be paired up with other children in school. If you have children in different year groups, you can take part with them all. Adults will be asked to sign children out from school. Once the walk is complete, you can take your child home, if not, you can collect your child as usual. Letters to follow with permission slips.



Easter Egg Competition

Friday 8th April

The School Council would like you to create an 'eggcellent' Easter egg. It is £1 to enter via Parent Pay and all entries must be in by Thursday 7th April. The School council will judge and there is a chocolate Easter egg and certificate for the winner. Good Luck!



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If you are having a 'spring clean' don't forget that we are always on the lookout for equipment that can be used in our outdoor play areas.

- Pots, pans, kitchen utensils
- Suitcases, bags, hats
- Pipes, tubes
- Fairies, small world items

Please send any items in with your child. Thank you for your continued support.



We are excited to start working towards achieving a 'Schools of Sanctuary' Award. An accredited School of Sanctuary is one that has received recognition from City of Sanctuary UK for its good practice in fostering a culture of welcome and inclusion. With this in mind, our School Councillors are making a welcome brochure for our school. They have asked to include a parent voice page. They would like to know...

- Why did you choose St. Patrick's for your child/ren?
- Do you think it is a welcoming school?
- What can we do to make it more inviting?

If you would like to participate, please email your response to m.clenell300@stp-conssett.co.uk or in writing addressed to Mrs Clennell. We look forward to hearing your response.

Lent Food Bank

As our Advent 'Reverse Advent Calendar' was such a huge success, we have decided to help our community again during Lent. Each Friday in March we will take donations to Glenroyd House. Items may include: Tins, jars, packet foods, tea, coffee, toiletries and Easter eggs, treats would be greatly received. Your child will bring home a letter when it is time to donate.



We need YOU!

The Friends of St Patrick's are a group of parents who support the school and help raise money for additional resources to enrich the children's education. The group aims to do various fundraising events through the year such as the Christmas and Summer fayres, and seeks to organise a number of social events such as school discos and themed nights, where children and parents can relax and get to know one another. If you are new to the area or to the school, it is a great way to meet people and make friends. Even if you are busy and only have an hour to spare, this time will be much appreciated in setting up events etc.

Your help in school is invaluable

We ask if you have any spare time to give, we would always appreciate your help. We need your help more than ever this year as we need to reconnect and build our school community up again after 2 years of lockdown! We would also love to hear your thoughts and ideas of possible events. If you are interested, please get in touch with Mrs Clennell.

