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February 15th 2024

Closed Thursday 20th & Friday 21st for mid-term break

First Communion: Fr. Martin's Special Children's Mass for Preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion takes place Sunday 16th February @ 11.30am

WEBSITE: <u>www.stfrancisjs.com</u>

There's also a link on the home page to our School Facebook Group

Absences: Too many children are missing too many days from school. Please send your child to school unless they're genuinely sick. We'll call you if your child is poorly or feeling unwell.



Grandparents' Afternoons: Thank you so much to all the grandparents and parents who turned up for Grandparents' afternoons. It was just brilliant to see so many people.

NEW Junior Infants September 2025: Please let friends and family know that we are currently enrolling children for September 2025. Closing date is very soon so let them know. Places are limited this year. Forms can be collected at the office 9.00am-2.15pm

Stay Safe is part of the SPHE (Social Personal & Health Education) programme in all primary schools. The programme seeks to enhance children's self-protective skills by participation in lessons on safe and unsafe situations, bullying, inappropriate touch, secrets, telling and stranger danger.



Regardless of whether you opt your *child in or out* of RSE all staff will use the **correct anatomical name** for each part of the **human body** in school.

Book Assemblies Take place this week. Thanks to staff for all the fabulous art & creative work. We'll let you know what we're going to do for World Book Day.

Attendance Assemblies: Take place on Wednesday. Vouchers for The Plex and Cinema.

HSCL Teacher: Ms. Delaney: 086 014 0321 Call her if you need to make an appointment to change your child's lunch menu, if you're worried about something, if you need help accessing help/services for your child etc

Sanitary Ware / Toilets Updating Project: We're still no further on despite emails and phone calls. Fingers crossed something will happen soon!

Child Protection: Please remember teachers are Mandated Persons and must report concerns above the Threshold. They don't have a choice. Sincerely, A. Plunkett