Mass Attendance in Our Lady of Lourdes, Grange:

Date	Class	Time
12/05/16	Whole School Mass &	9.30am
	Procession in honour of	
	Our Lady	
19/05/16	P5/6	9.30am
26/05/16	P3/4	9.30am
09/06/16	P2/3	9.30am
16/06/16	P1	9.30am
22/06/16	End of Year Mass &	10.00am in school
	Presentation Ceremony	hall

Trocaire Bun Sales:

Date:	Class	Amount Raised
Friday 8 th April	Primary 1	£41.00
Friday 15 th April	Primary 2/3	£50.76
Friday 22 nd April	Primary 3/4	£68.50
Friday 29 th April	Primary 5/6	£68.10
Friday 6 th May	Primary 6/7	£59.10

TOTAL £286.86

Kingdom/An Riocht activities:

Sunday 8 May 1.30pm La Na gClub, the GAA National Club Day parade and mini Gaelic Games at Dunavil for P1 to U12 girls and boys **Monday 9 May** 7pm FIFA Tournament (7-13yrs)

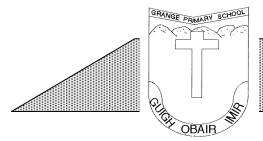
Tuesday 10 May 6pm Juvenile Boys Group (8-12yrs); 7pm U12 Football practice; 7:30pm Cookery Classes (8-13yrs)

Wednesday 11 May 6.15pm U6/U8 Camogie; 7.15pm U10/U12 Camogie; 8:15pm Juvenile girl group (8+); 7pm Mourne League U10 Football An Riocht v Atticall

Thursday 12 May 7:15pm Juvenile cooking lessons (8-12yrs)

Friday 13 May 6pm U12 Boys Residential; 6.15pm P5/P6 Football practice; 7.30pm Kids Movie Night

Saturday 14 May 9am P3/P4 Go Games Football Blitz in Mayobridge; 11am P1 & P2 Football; U12 Camogie Ballela v An Riocht.



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Tomorrow, Saturday 7th May sees our present Primary 4 boys and girls celebrate the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

We wish them and their families all the best for a marvellous day.

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A Busy Weekend:

We wish our Holy Communicants and Confirmandi all the very best as they look forward to celebrating the Blessed Sacraments over the next few days. Our Primary 4 children receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist in Grange chapel at 10.00am mass tomorrow morning and the Primary 7 children receive the Sacrament of Confirmation with the other P7 pupils of the parish in St. Colman's, Massforth, on Monday coming at 4.00pm.

Early Closure:

On Monday coming, 9th May, school will close for ALL pupils at 12.30pm to facilitate children, parents and staff preparing to attend the Confirmation ceremony. There will be dinners as normal and Rooney bus children will be collected at 12.30pm. There will be NO Ulsterbus.

Primary 7 Called By Name Ceremony:

During Thursday's parish mass, the Primary 7 children preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation celebrated their parish ceremony with the theme being 'Called by Name.' There were several comments from parishioners in relation to how well the children participated.

Trocaire Bun Sales:

Well done and thank you to the children (and parents/family members) in Primary 5/6 who held their bun sale last week and raised the magnificent sum of £68.10. Today the Primary 6/7 pupils held their bun sale raising £58.10. Thank you to everyone involved over the last 5 weeks. We have significantly increased our total raised for Trocaire. A presentation will be made shortly to Trocaire in respect of our efforts for 2016.

Mass in honour of Our Lady:

Next **Thursday**, 12th **May**, we celebrate a whole school mass in honour of Our Lady at the **9.30am mass**. Mass will be followed by a Marian procession to Our Lady's grotto.

Our School in the Parish:

We thank all the families of the children in Primary 4 who took part in the offertory procession in the lead up to Holy Communion.

Pupil Health & Welfare:

There has been an outbreak in local schools of a virulent strain of **chicken pox**. Advice has also been issued that parents should **NOT administer Nurofen / Ibrufen** to control a child's temperature when they have contracted chicken pox. The active ingredients in this medication can worsen the infection of the disease. Treatment with Calpol is recommended. Public Health information advises that a child is kept off school for 5 days following the appearance of spots.

Mourne Stimulus Day Centre:

Plankety Plank Community Challenge in aid of MSDC. Saturday 14th May 2016 at the Bowling Pavillion Mourne Esplanade, Kilkeel. £5 entry fee, registration from 9.30am event starts at 10am. 5km or 10km Evening walk/run on Wednesday 18th May at 6.30pm. There is a £5 entry fee and the event starts and ends at Mourne Stimulus. Healthy supper on return. For more information contact Bronagh on **07704945621**.

ECO-Schools:

Many thanks for your previous efforts with our Cash for Clobber initiative. During May we are taking part in another Cash for Clobber collection. The children received a note with the details about this today.

Future Events:

We are scheduled to have our **Sports Day on Friday 3rd June.** As in recent years, we will be looking for parents and family members to act as Team Leaders for our 'Alternative Sports' activities in the morning. Keep a look out for the request note.

We are also planning to hold our **Environmental Beach Clean** on **Monday 13th June** down at Greencastle. We would hope to have as many parent volunteers as possible to come along and help out on the day with this invaluable and enjoyable environmental activity.

Uniform Requirements for 2016-17:

If anyone has still to call in to Murphy's retail outlet in Kilkeel, could they please do so as soon as possible to assist with order requirements for next year.

P1-3 Coaching:

After the initial 4 weeks coaching on Wednesdays through An Riocht CLG, we will continue with the P1-3 pupils for the next 3 weeks – (11th, 18th and 25th May). In June we will offer the opportunity to the older pupils, depending upon interest.

ACTISPORT:

We hope the children enjoyed their first experience of Actisport over the past 5 weeks. We ask that any other children who wish to continue for the next 4 weeks as noted in the letter sent out last week, that they return the Reply Slip and payment on Monday coming to allow the coaches to know what numbers in total will be attending.

Eco-School Reminder:

As part of our Eco-School programme we remind the children in Primary 5/6 that they are responsible for keeping the birdfeeders replenished to help feeding the birds. We would ask that the children try to bring in 'Fat Balls' for this aim.

An Riocht Lá na gClubanna:

This Sunday An Riocht CLG will host their GAA Club Day. Activites begin at 10.30am with breakfast and continue throughout the day for ALL family members. All children are are asked to assemble at the club for 1.30pm for the opening parade. (A flyer was sent home today with other details.)

Cycling Proficiency:

Ms Hughes and Mrs Sloan will deliver the cycling proficiency scheme to the P7 pupils. The children will receive the details of dates, times and requirements directly.

School Environmental Programme:

As you will be aware, over the past number of weeks and months, we have been involved in a School / Community project , jointly funded by NIEA's Challenge Fund and our own Friends of Grange fundraisng efforts. With the endeavours of pupils, staff, extended family members and members of 'The Men Shed Youth Group' up at An Riocht, we hope everyone is proud and pleased with the result of the time and effort invested. This week, the focus was on a link with the past and the relocation of the lintel stone from the original school building dated **1929**. It now takes pride of place in the front playground. We hope to build upon this work to continue to enhance our school and church grounds for the benefit of all. Keep an eye out for future developments.

End of Year School Trips:

Children will receive details shortly in relation to our end of year school outings with arrangements and costings.