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Dear Parents,

We have had a productive first month back in school.

Throughout this month we have worked hard on establishing good behaviour within classrooms, the playgrounds, canteen and whilst moving through the school. Our expectations are high as we firmly believe that good behaviour underpins all that we are trying to do in school. Having had occasion to seek support from some families in improving behaviour during this first month back, I know that you support us in this when we need you and I thank you.

It is the time of year again when we try to support a recruitment campaign for more children to sing in the Junior Cathedral Choir. Please consider if this could be a possibility for your child. The choir adds so much to 12 o'clock mass, but it is really struggling for members, it would be great if P3-P7 pupils from St Clare's Abbey could join. An advert has been placed on the school website and attached to this message outlining how your child can join.

Next week we will have our First Friday Mass in St Mary's Chapel at 9.30 on Fri 6th October and it will be led by the P5 year group. Whilst all family members across the school are welcome to attend we extend a particular welcome to those who have a child in P5.

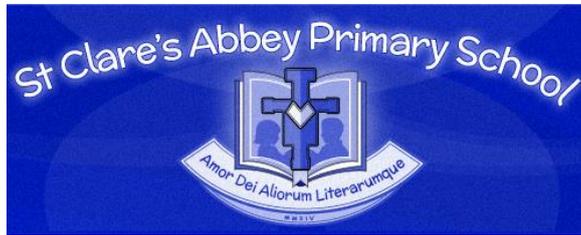
I remind you that we have Parents' Information sessions next week. The P7 one took place on Thursday and was very useful for those who attended. *If you are a P7 parent who couldn't attend who has a child sitting the entrance exam, I would urge you to ask your child to show you how to access the annotated test notes for each test, stored on One Drive- this was an important piece of information shared at the meeting.*

I would ask each parent in the other year groups to attend or arrange for a family representative as this is the time when we can clarify any start of year confusions, allowing us to move through the year as effectively as possible.

I finish by making a **request for volunteers**:

Last year we enjoyed the support of a very dedicated group of **parents/ grandparents** who volunteered in school in a variety of ways. We are hoping to have similar support this year and ask anyone who might be available for 1 or 2 hours per week or on one off occasion to contact me mmonaghan771@c2kni.net





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Once I hear from you, I can contact you and chat through a few ideas, which you can then consider before making a final decision. Your support would be hugely appreciated.

I wish you all a lovely weekend,

Yours in partnership

Mrs Monaghan

NEWRY CATHEDRAL
Junior Choir
Boys and girls over the age of 7 years
are warmly invited to join
Practice every Sunday at 11.15am on
the Choir Gallery before
singing at 12 noon Mass

