



13th June 2025

We keep in our prayers the pupils and staff members departing for Paris next week. We wish them a safe and enjoyable journey. My thanks to you parents and guardians for your support over the coming weeks as many trips and activities take place aimed at enriching the cultural aspect of our curriculum and providing memorable opportunities for all in our community. We couldn't do this without your help, support and hard work.

Pupil Prefect Team

We are delighted to announce our new Senior Prefect Team for 2025-2026. After a rigorous process the following pupils were appointed to roles that will see them lead the pupil body of St. Patrick's & St. Brigid's College through the next academic year.

HEAD GIRL: Clodagh G. HEAD BOY: Peadar D.

DEPUTY HEAD GIRLS: Erin O., Shauna M.

DEPUTY HEAD BOYS: Owen D., Darragh O.

HOUSE CAPTAINS:

S: Alesha D.

P: Alfie D.

B: Shea M.

C: Maria M.

FAITH COORDINATORS: Alanah M.,
Megan O., Cormac O. & Chloe O.

PREFECTS & SENIOR PREFECTS

Alex B., Russ B., James C., Hollie D., Erin O., Katie L., Erin M., Ethan M., Niamh O., Leah O., Daniel D. & Ruth M.



Charity Fundraiser – Bun Sale

We have raised £330.07 for the Kevin Bell Repatriation Trust (KRBT). Lynch's SPAR donated buns which are very grateful for. We will present a cheque to Colin Bell from KRBT on Wednesday.

KBRT was founded out of a family tragedy when, in June 2013, Kevin Bell died suddenly in New York. Following an outpouring of support from Kevin's friends, family and colleagues, a significant amount of funds were raised to repatriate his remains back to Ireland. As a permanent legacy to Kevin, the Bell family decided to use the funds to establish a charity to help other families who find themselves in a similar situation.

What: **Dance Fit & Colour Run**
 Who: **For Year 8 & Year 9 pupils**
 When: **Period 7 (Dance Fit) & Period 8 (Colour Run) on Friday 20th June**
 Cost: **£2.00**
 Why: **Funds raised will support the P.E department**



Fit Dance & Colour Run for Yr 8 & Yr 9 – Friday 20th June PM

This year's Colour Run takes place during **Period 8 on Friday 20th June for Year 8 & Year 9**. There will be a fun dance/fitness session during Period 7 beforehand with a special guest leading it.....(this is one NOT to be missed). A Colour Run is an event where pupils move throughout a course and will be coated in an explosion of colour as they pass through colour zones, leaving them looking more like a walking rainbow! Pupils can walk or run. We hope to be able to raise money to support our P.E department with transport costs throughout the year. **COST: £2.00 PER PUPIL** - This is for both the dance/fitness session and the Colour Run. Pupils will need to bring old clothes to school which they can wear in the afternoon – preferably a **white T-shirt**. Pupils may want to wear sunglasses as well. Permission slips will be available from Monday.

Year 12

Yr. 12 pupils are asked to return any textbooks to the college. There will be GCSE BCS Revision sessions on Monday from 9.25 – 1.00pm and 2.15 – 3.35pm. There will also be a revision on Tuesday from 9.25 – 11.00am. The examination takes place on Wednesday. Best wishes to the pupils!



Year 10 Retreat

Our Yr. 10's had their end of year retreat on Thursday 12th June led by Mrs Charlotte Deeny, Faith Formation Coordinator, Claudy, and Mrs Loughrey and Miss Duffy from the RE Department. Pupils reflected on the life of Carlo Acutis and his 5 Steps to Sainthood. Thank you to Fr O Kane for celebrating Mass with Yr. 10 in the morning followed by a period of Eucharistic Adoration, Carlos' first two steps to sainthood. Pupils reflected on the final three steps to sainthood during their retreat sessions back in the college. *'To always be close to Jesus, that's my life plan'*, Carlo Acutis.

Year 11 History Trip

The History department brought Yr. 11 pupils to the Siege and Free Derry Museum on Thursday. It was an excellent day despite the weather!



Taster Days

We welcomed school children from a range of Primary Schools on four different days this week which was very successful. Huge credit for this goes to the teachers who delivered each day, the Classroom Assistants who hosted, the technicians who supported, the secretarial staff who booked and organised the programme and all of the pupils who helped. A real team effort!





Uniform Donations

Please kindly consider donating any school uniform your child no longer requires. Please check that it is in a good clean condition. Your donations are greatly appreciated and can be left at the main school office.

We will be holding a Pre-loved uniform sale on Friday 27th June (11.30am-1.30pm) to financially assist families of the new Year 8 and any other family who may wish

to avail of renewed uniform items.

Pre-loved Uniform Sale

A Pre-loved uniform sale will take place in the Assembly Hall from 11.30am-1.30pm on Friday 27th June. Select Kidz will also be in attendance. Proceeds from the Pre-loved Uniform sales will go towards HOPE Camp: Claudy & Craighane.

Ties for Sale

If your child has misplaced his/her tie, then a new one can be purchased from the office for £9.00

MFC link

<https://link.mfc-sports.com/G242AP>

The MFC link to purchase PE Uniform is now open and will remain open for the next 30 days.

Reflection Mornings - June

This morning, we had our first Reflection before school. Each Friday during the month of June we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus during a morning reflection before school. This is for pupils and staff members and will take place in Room 10 (R.E Department) from 8.50am-9.05pm.

Parents, Teachers & Friends Association (PTA)

If any parent/guardian could be potentially interested in joining a Parent Teacher Association from September 2025, could you please email info@spbcollege.claudy.ni.sch.uk or contact the college.

HOPE Camp – Claudy & Craighane



HOPE – which stands for Help Our Parish Evolve, is a week-long Catholic summer camp for young people within the parish who are in Year 6 – Year 11. The three main aspects of HOPE camp are Faith, Fun, Friendship.

HOPE aims to strengthen the faith lives of the youth people, both campers and volunteers who attend the camp. This is done in various ways throughout the week, through faith formation activities, Sport, Art and crafts, Team Building, social time and so much more. HOPE aims to involve the parish community as a whole, because without the help of adult volunteers, local businesses and the prayers of the parishioners, the camp would not be a success.

The HOPE Claudy & Craighane Camp will take place in the Week Beginning Monday 14th July.

Claudy GAC Cul Camp & Summer Club Camp

Claudy Cul Camp (Ages 6-13) takes place from 7th-11th July (10.00am-2.00pm).
Claudy Summer Camp (Ages 6-13) takes place from 4th-8th August (10.00am-2.00pm).
£50.00 for the first child, £40.00 for the second child and £30.00 for third+ children.



Key Dates

Monday 16 th June	School trip to Paris departs
Wednesday 18 th June	Yr. 8 Gaelic Blitz (Owenbeg)
Friday 20 th June	Yr. 8 & 9: Dance & Fitness afternoon followed by a Colour run
Monday 23 rd June	Yr. 11 End of Year trip (Yr. 11 pupils not attending remain at home)
Monday 23 rd June	Celebration Assembly for Yr. 10 (9.15am) & Yr. 9 (9.40am)
Tuesday 24 th June	Yr. 9 End of Year trip (Yr. 9 pupils not attending remain at home)
Tuesday 24 th June	Celebration Assembly for Yr. 11 (9.15am) & Yr. 8 (9.40am)
Wednesday 25 th June	Yr. 10 End of Year trip (Yr. 10 pupils not attending remain at home)
Thursday 26 th June	Yr. 8 End of Year trip (Yr. 8 pupils not attending remain at home)
Friday 27 th June	Pre-loved Uniform Sale: 11.30am-1.30pm (Proceeds for HOPE Camp)
Friday 27 th June	End of term (12.00 pm finish for pupils)

Key Dates - Summer

Monday 30 th June	Summer Scheme for new Yr. 8 pupils begins
Monday 14 th July	HOPE Camp – Claudy & Craigbane - begins
Monday 4 th August	Claudy GAC Summer Club Camp begins (Ages 6 -13)
Thursday 21 st August	GCSE Results Day

Key Dates – New Academic Year

Thursday 28 th August	Induction morning for new Yr. 8 pupils (09.15 -12.00)
Friday 29 th August	Yr. 12 pupils in school – Morning only (09.15-12.00)
Monday 1 st September	All pupils and staff in school
Monday 8 th September	Yr. 8 Information Event for parents/guardians (4.00pm)
Monday 8 th September	Yr. 9 Information Event for parents/guardians (5.00pm)
Tuesday 9 th September	Yr. 10 Information Event for parents/guardians (5.00pm)
Wednesday 10 th September	Yr. 11 Information Event for parents/guardians (5.00pm)
Thursday 11 th September	Yr. 12 Information Event for parents/guardians (4.00pm)

Final Prayer

*Lord Jesus Christ, before you ascended to heaven, you promised to send the Holy Spirit to your disciples.
We humbly ask that you grant us the same Holy Spirit to perfect the work of your grace and love in our lives.*

Amen.

Yours sincerely,



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