



# St Patrick's Catholic Primary School, Dipton

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*We follow in Christ's footsteps*

wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September

Dear parents/carers

## **School Photographer visit – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September**

The photographer will be in school for individual and in-school sibling photos. Anyone who wants to bring pre-school child/ren to have their photo taken with a St. Patrick's pupil, should attend the main hall between 8.30am and 8.55am. All children should wear school uniform even if it is their designated P.E. day. We ask you to please observe usual rules regarding uniform, hairstyles and jewellery for pupils.

## **School Admissions 2023/24 Year**

Whilst we are in the midst of welcoming our newest pupils, we are also thinking ahead to next year and pupils applying to join us in Reception September 2023. As in previous years, Durham County Council are strongly encouraging parents/carers to apply on-line for a school place for their child. They are stressing even more that parents should do this if they are able to, given the changes to working practices due to Covid. **All the information you need to be able to do this is available from the Council's website from 5 September 2022:**  
[www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

The Primary and Secondary Admissions Online Guide 23/24 advises those parents/carers who do not apply on-line for a school place to send their paper application forms to Durham County Council. It also advises they should return it by 'Royal Mail Signed for' or 'Royal Mail Special Delivery Guaranteed' as in the event of non-receipt, proof of delivery will be required. It is even more important given the changes to working practices that proof of delivery will be required.

## **Mass with Fr Damian – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

The whole school will be attending Mass with Fr Damian in St. Patrick's Church at 9.15am on Wednesday. Parents and carers are welcome to join us and we will be hosting teas and coffees in the school hall afterwards to allow family members to meet and chat with Fr Damian.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation and support.

Mrs J Burgess

Headteacher

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