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Principal's Update 26th January

Dear Parents

We had such an exciting day in school today as we enjoyed all the toys that the children brought in to school to show and share with their classmates. We also appear to have raised a generous amount of money although we have not had time to count it yet. Thanks to our fantastic school council for all the work on this.

A group of 35 P7 pupils represented St Clare's Abbey at the diocesan prayer service in St Teresa's church in Banbridge on Wednesday. It was a special celebration in thanks of the enrichment we enjoy from being part of the family of Catholic schools. Our pupils were excellent ambassadors and we thank them sincerely. Many comments were received in relation to their behaviour and immaculate uniforms- thank you parents for helping with that.

Tonight, two teams of P7 pupils will participate in the Credit Union inter schools' quiz. We wish Aidan, Caitlin, Conor, Ellen, James, Joseph, Jude and Muhammad a really great night and we know that they will represent us beautifully. We also thank Jack for his meticulous preparation and are sorry that he cannot participate due to illness.

Staff from Specsavers led a highly informative assembly today, so I urge you to talk to your children about all the interesting facts they learnt. If you have not had your child's eyes tested recently, please book an eye test, the children were surprised to learn that it is free of charge. We thank Specsavers for reaching out to us- the staff who joined us today were truly excellent!

Tomorrow, P7 pupils who participated in the Post Primary entrance exam will receive their results. Some will be delighted with the outcome and some will be disappointed. Rest assured that God has a plan for each and every one of our precious children and I urge you to talk to your child about that. He is holding each child lovingly in the palm of his hand and will be with them every step of the way through tomorrow and the ensuing chapters. Urge them to trust in his plan for them and know that everything will work out exactly as it is meant to. What seems like a disappointment one day often proves itself to be a blessing as time unfolds.

On that note, delighted as I am that the sky is blue and the sun is shining, I wish you a happy weekend,

Yours in partnership,

Mrs Monaghan

