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Good morning everyone, on this beautiful winter's day.

Next week will be a busy week in school.

Monday 28th February or Thursday 3rd March - At 7.30 pm each night Newry Parish is hosting virtual sacramental preparation classes for parents of P7 pupils who will be receiving the sacrament of confirmation this year. It is hoped that each child will be represented by at least one parent or family relative. Registration details will be recorded when parents apply for their chosen night by emailing [fred@newrycathedralparish.org](mailto:fred@newrycathedralparish.org) I urge all parents to participate as this is a crucial step in your child's Catholic faith development and the sacramental experience will mean more for each family if you have really invested in the preparation. It is a very special time!!!!

( NB Similar classes for parents of First Communicants in P4 will be hosted on Monday 7th March or Thursday 10th March- Parents of P4 pupils intending to receive the sacrament can apply using the same email address to select their chosen day.)

**Wednesday 2nd March - is Ash Wednesday** and marks the beginning of the season of Lent, when we make our preparations for Easter.

**Thursday 3rd March-** is World Book Day & the final day of the Super Hero travel challenge

As such pupils are invited to dress up as either their favourite book character or favourite super hero. For pupils not dressing up it will be an ordinary school uniform day.

Thursday 3rd March will also see a celebration being held in school to mark Fairtrade fortnight.

In the midst of all this we will also ensure that the school work continues, we have a nice long stretch now to Easter and will commit to lots of hard work in addition to the fun times.

Wishing you and your families a lovely weekend,

Yours in partnership,

Mrs Monaghan