



'Being the best that we can be'

Friday Note

Friday 15 September 2017

No.2

Looking back....

Traffic at the top of the lane...

As you may have noticed there is a lot of disruption at the top of the lane with building work ongoing. The builders have assured us that they will try to keep disruption to a minimum, especially when they move over to the same side of the road as the school. In the meantime can I ask for your patience and consideration when parking. Please DO NOT park on the yellow school sign and zig zag line at the top of the lane. Please wait patiently until teachers hand your child over to you. Always be assured that no child will ever be left on their own. If you are late your child will be brought back down to Cool Kids/Homework Club for collection from there. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Mathematics Problem Solving Training

Our mathematics curriculum training kicked off this week with a training session on word problems from Miss Clarke. Teachers are now planning to teach mathematical word problems on at least 2 occasions in any month. Look out for these in your child's homework, See Saw or talk to them about what they have learned.

Curriculum Meetings

We had the first of our curriculum meetings this week with Primary 5 and 6 parents joining us on Thursday and Friday. Thank you for the great turnout to both events. Teachers spend a lot of time preparing for these meetings so it is always very pleasing to have a good audience! Primary 2, 3 and 4 are next week. (See dates below)

Music News

We are currently in the process of testing pupils for music tuition - this does take some time in organising so thank you for your patience. For those already playing.

- Flute, Tin Whistle and Guitar - Monday
- Violin - Tuesday and Thursday
- Clarinet - Tuesday

Choir auditions for Primary Five children will take place during the last week of September. Mrs O'Hare is working with a group of Primary Six children who will be singing at the opening of CCMS on 22nd September. Primary Four Choir will begin after midterm for our Christmas Carol Concert. (More details to follow)

Future dates for your diary....

We have already set dates for a numbers of key events/celebrations this year. Please take a note of them in your diary. In the event of any dates needing to change, we will let you know by text/letter.

Term 1

Opening School Year Mass	Thursday 28 September at 10am in St. Patrick's Chapel P4-P7 will attend The whole school community is welcome to join us
Friday 29 September	School Development Day: School closed for pupils
Reporting to Parents P2 – P7	Week beginning Monday 23 October School will close at 2pm for all pupils during this week to facilitate meetings No after school clubs will be in operation Cool Kids will operate as normal
Wednesday and Thursday 25 and 26 October	Freddie Fitness Days (Classes for each day to be confirmed)
Friday 27 October	Halloween Dress-Up Day
Monday 30 October – Friday 3 November (incl)	Mid-term break: School closed
Thursday 16 November	Flu Vaccination for pupils (Parental Consent forms to follow)
Tuesday 5 December	Open Night for Primary 1 Enrolment September 2018
Thursday 7 December	Panto Day (Details to follow)
Friday 8 December	School Development Day: School closed for pupils
Thursday 14 December	Primary 1 and Primary 2 Christmas Concerts
Friday 15 December	
Tuesday 19 December	Christmas Carol Concert in Lisburn's Island Hall
Thursday 21 December	Christmas Mass in St. Patrick's Chapel at 10am



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Sacraments

First Confession for Primary 3

Thursday 1 March 2018

Wednesday 21 March 2018

Commitment Service
First Confession

11am
10.45am

Assembly Hall
St. Patrick's Chapel

First Holy Communion for Primary 4

Wednesday 18 April 2018

Saturday 12 May 2018

Breaking of Bread Service
First Communion

11am
10am

Assembly Hall
St. Patrick's Chapel

Confirmation for Primary 7

The date for confirmation has yet to be confirmed. This is a date which we have no control over as it is a date set by the Bishop. As soon as we know the date we will let you know.

Looking ahead.....

Wellbeing week

Look out for all the details in next week's Friday Note but please come along, if you can, to our two parent events:

- **Monday 25 September at 1pm: Wellbeing Talk and BP checks from Northern Ireland Chest, Heart and Stroke Association**
- **Wednesday 27 September at 7pm: Mindfulness for Children _ Vivienne Bannon (Envisage Now)**

Cash for Kids Fundraising: I am always delighted when pupils come up with their own novel ways of raising money for charity. Next week Ella in P4 will be raising money for cash for Kids with a raffle for a Kindle Fire Tablet. Tickets cost 50 and can be bought all of next week with the final draw happening on Friday. Well done Ella!

Monday 18 September 2017	Tuesday 19 September 2017	Wednesday 20 September 2017	Thursday 21 September 2017	Friday 22 September 2017
<p>Primary 1 pupils stay for lunch until 12.30pm</p> <p>Mrs Fleming at CCEA training all day</p> <p>'Live here, Love here': School litter pick up</p> <p>ITeach Twilight training session 3pm – 6pm for teaching staff</p> <p>P4 at Linen Museum: Family Crest/Town Trail Workshop</p> <p>P1 Baseline Meetings (individual appointments)</p>	<p>Primary 1 pupils stay for lunch until 12.30pm</p> <p>Primary 3 Curriculum Meeting at 9.15am</p> <p>Mathematics Target Setting Day: Miss Clarke SUB: Ms Gorman</p> <p>P4 at SALTO Gymnastics</p> <p>P1 Baseline Meetings (individual appointments)</p>	<p>Primary 1 pupils stay for lunch until 12.30pm</p> <p>Primary 2 Curriculum Meeting at 9.15am</p> <p>Transfer Club at 8am</p> <p>P6 at tennis</p> <p>Beat the Street Assemblies P1-P3: 11.30am – 12noon P4-P7: 12 – 12.30pm</p> <p>P1 Baseline Meetings (individual appointments)</p> <p>Mrs Fleming: PRSD Meetings with all teaching staff</p> <p>Mrs O'Hare VP Release Day: Mrs Gorman</p>	<p>Primary 1 pupils stay for lunch until 12.30pm</p> <p>Primary 4 Curriculum Meeting at 9.15am</p> <p>Foundation Stage Development Day: Janice Wright</p> <p>P1 Baseline Meetings (individual appointments)</p>	<p>Primary 1 pupils stay for lunch until 12.30pm</p> <p>P5 Curriculum Meeting at 9.15am</p> <p>11am: CCMS Official Opening Ceremony: representatives from choir and folk group performing</p> <p>GL Assessment Closing date for registration</p> <p>P1 Baseline Meetings (individual appointments)</p> <p>P6 Swimming @ Leisureplex</p> <p>P7 at Badminton</p> <p>Mrs Aileen Jeffrey providing newcomer language support 9am - 12noon</p>

It's been another busy week here in school. Take time to relax and enjoy the weekend with your family.
Best wishes, Pauline

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