



February Newsletter

School closes at 2pm for all pupils on Friday 9th February 2018. School will be closed 12th - 15th February and will reopen for all pupils on Monday 19th February.

Money

Reminder: all dinner money should be paid at the beginning of each week. Parents who wish to pay by cheque are asked to make cheques payable to Education Authority. Dinner money is £2.60 per day or £13.00 per week.

See below the list of variable clubs we have to offer. Please ensure money is paid on the day clubs is attended.

- Breakfast Club (Monday- Friday)- 80p
- Yoga (Monday) - £3
- Tuesday clubs- £2
- Traditional Music (Friday) - £2
- Minding Club (P1-P3 Monday, Wednesday, Friday)- £1.50

Primary 7

We would like to congratulate all of our Primary 7 on their great Transfer Results. We are **SO** proud of you! Your hard work paid off!!

Safer Internet Day

Safer internet day is on February 6th 2018. Please talk to your children about this topic and we will be focusing on this again in school.

£500 cheque/ School Council

We received a cheque for £500 from The Oaks Centre for winning The Carol Singing competition! We are very grateful for the donation which will go towards playground equipment for our pupils- as decided by our School Council!

Movie Night

We are having our annual Movie Night 5pm-7pm on Friday 2nd February. Cost £4 per child. Children can wear their P. J's/bring a teddy.

Minor works application successful!!

Work on our new fencing site boundaries is to begin on 12th February 2018 during Mid – Term break. We hope the majority of it will be completed by the time the children return to school.

NSPCC

We have decided to support the NSPCC this term by taking part in ‘Buddy’s big workout’ on Thursday 8th February. The money raised will make a significant difference to work in preventing abuse, providing support and turning lives around. All children and/or families will receive a sponsor sheet. We ask that they are returned to us by Friday 9th February.

Assembly

Our P5/6/7 children will be hosting this month’s assembly on Friday 9th February at 9:30am. Everyone welcome.

Shared Education

Having had the opportunity to work alongside Stewartstown P.S. in the Mid Ulster Council’s MUST programme, it was clear to see that we were 2 schools who immediately bonded. Mrs Bolton (Principal) and myself have since applied for Shared Education funding under Peace IV funding and have been successful. The funding is worth over £5000 between our 2 schools, and will run in terms 2 and 3 this academic year. We then can reapply year on year if the project is working for us.

The initial year will focus on P5-7 pupils, and then we will roll it out to the rest of the school in future years.

This year’s project focuses on STEM activities and we have secured a deal with Sentinus to come into school and facilitate the programme.

Some dates for your diaries include:

P5-7 workshops (held in SPS) = Thursday 1st March, Wednesday 14th March, Thursday 12th April, Wednesday 25th April, Wednesday 2nd May & Tuesday 2nd May.

Proposed dates for Parents Evenings are:

23rd May - Stewartstown Primary School 7 -9pm

24th May - Holy family - Aughamullan 6:30 - 8:30pm

Final Celebration Event in W5 – 19th June



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Catholic Schools Week

January 29th – Friday 2nd February is Catholic Schools Week. We will be focusing on what it means to be a Catholic school and all the children will participate in Catholic School Week activities.

Ceremony of Light.

The ceremony of light will be celebrated on Sunday 11th February at 7pm for all the confirmation children, their parents and their families.

Adoration

On Wednesday 21st February 8pm-9pm, Fr. Fee has invited all the parents and families of the Parish, to Saint Patrick's Church, Clonoe to pray in the presence of Jesus in the most Blessed Sacrament. A very special evening, ADULTS only. We hope that the people of the parish will come if only for a few minutes to pray for our young people that they may live the faith in years to come.

Confirmation

Our P7 children will be confirmed on Sunday 25th February in St. Patrick's Church Clonoe at 3pm. We pray for all our children and look forward to this lovely celebration.

Science Week

26th February – 3rd March

As part of Science week children in P5-7 are going to the Navan Fort on Monday 5th March

Battery Recycling

We have a battery recycling box available in school if you have any old batteries. Please do not put them in the bin as they can be recycled. **Think green!**

Odd Sock Day

Friday 9th February is Odd Sock Day- children are asked to wear odd socks and their own clothes to school. £1 per child.



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Food Hamper

Thank you for all your food donations for the local Women's Shelter before Christmas. We would ask if all the families in the school could donate 1 perishable item again as the last was so much appreciated and greatly needed.

Many thanks for your support and co-operation

Kind regards,

Orla Gorman

Principal

Have you concerns about a childs/ children's welfare or safety? If so, you should contact the children's Social Work Gateway Service: 0800 783 7745

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