Summer Term Newsletter



It's hard to believe how quickly this school year has flown by. We have had a very busy and action packed year to date with lots more to follow in the last few months.

Dates for your Diary

2nd May Bank Holiday 5th May School closed for Elections 9th –20th May Assessments 18th May First Holy Communion @5pm in St Eugene's Cathedral 21st May Post Primary placements. Log On to online portal for outcome 27th May Scavenger Hunt 30th May P1 Induction 31st May Nursery Induction 1st –3rd June School Closed 1st June 3rd June PTFA meeting @ 6pm 8th &9th June Carrowmena trip for P7 **10th June** Tom Sweeney 13th June to 17th June Health & Fitness Week 20th -22nd June 3 members of staff on **1st Aid Training** 24th June P7 Variety Concert 28th June P7 Leavers Assembly @ 10am Nursery finish

30th June School finishes @ 12 noon.

USEFUL NUMBERS

 CHILDLINE
 0800 1111

 PARENTING NI
 0808 801 0722

 ACTION FOR CHILDREN
 02871 342286 /

 02882 259495
 02871 358787 /

 LOCAL HUBS
 02871 373870

 24 HR DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE

 HELPLINE
 0808 802 1414

MAY ASSESSMENTS

In the month of May children will be completing their assessments in class so good attendance and punctuality is vital so that they do not miss an important test.



School Trips

Nursery -	Culdaff Beach	Wednesday 8th June
Primary 1 - Sperrin Fun Farm		Friday 24th June
Primary 2 - Gortin Glen		Thursday 23rd June
Primary 3 - Sperrin Fun Farm		Tuesday 21st June
Primary 4 - Wains World		Tuesday 7th June
Primary 5 - Benone Beach		Wednesday 8th June
Primary 6 - Belfast Zoo		Tuesday 7th June
Primary 7– Carrowmena		Wed. 8th & Thurs 9th June
ASC -	Aspace 2	Tuesday 21st June
LSU -	Aspace 2	Tuesday 21st June



SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

Our school building has had many improvements over the last few years .All areas that were dilapidated have now been refurbished and we are very proud of our school.

We have had some lovely art murals painted in the main entrance and Foundation toilet area.

We are very excited to have completed our new I.C.T suite . A second Nurture Room is also currently being created.

We will share some photos with you soon.

How and when will I find out the outcome of my child's Post Primary application?

You can log in to the online Post-Primary Application to view the outcome of your child's application on Saturday 21 May 2022. For any parent who needs to apply using a paper application form, a letter will be issued via first class post on Friday 20 May 2022. Post-Primary Schools may also write to parents to advise a place is being offered and provide a welcome pack

We have been notified by the electoral office that the school will be used as a Polling Station this year. The school will be closed on the 5th May to facilitate this.

Fresh Little Minds

P5P and P7C will have the opportunity to complete the Fresh Little Minds Grow Programme before the end of term. This programme aims to improve the well being, resilience and mental health of our children.

PATHS

Our very successful PATHS programme will continue next year. This programme has had enormous benefits for behaviour, solving issues, behaviour and self-esteem. Pupils are taught strategies to develop greater self control when upset/annoyed through self-regulation.

Schools of Sanctuary

In order to offer your child the best educational experience we can, our school is constantly striving to keep up to date and adapt to the constantly changing wold around us. We are now participating in a project funded by Urban Villages with the aim of achieving a "Schools of Sanctuary Award". This award will be an umbrella for all of the amazing

initiatives and projects currently going on in our school. Our very diverse and unique school already is a sanctuary for our children, a place where they feel safe and valued. Through the applying for the award we will further develop and build upon our culture of welcome and inclusion in both our school and the wider community.

Next year when we celebrate our 160th anniversary we will be reaching out to our parents/guardians to help enhance the programme by sharing your inter/multi-cultural experiences (i.e languages/travel/ cookery/music/photographs/religious experiences etc.) We will keep you all updated.



Health ,Fitness, Well-Being & Sport

13th—17th June

Again, this year we will be offering our children a fun filled week of sport, activities and well-being.

Our school is required to provide an "At a Glance" version of our School Development Plan annually. As you know we have been working very hard to develop all areas of our school. Can you please take time to read through all the exciting initiatives currently taking place and provide some feedback using the link below. Link to survey is available on School App message sent out on 12th April.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Preview/?SM=W_2BKFml_2FBWeLKzJJDZeSrlLRciq9sHUkEoiABHC9bMkwKgnOJrC9F5k7NyiyOJnxN



After School Clubs

Reminder: Can you please ensure all club forms are returned on a Thursday **morning** to class teacher and not to the office.

Late forms will not be accepted



Healthy Lunchboxes

As we are a health promoting school we encourage you to provide healthy lunches for your child.



