



Weekly News Friday 12th May 2023

P5/6 Shared Education Trip

It was the turn of P5/6 class to visit Downhill forest with our SE partner schools. They identified minibeasts, classified trees and plants and kick sampled for pond life. Great friendships have developed throughout the course of the year.

P3/4 Shared Education Trip

Pupils in P3/4 travelled to Portballintrae beach today with their SE partner schools. They had marine workshops, beach clean activities and created beach art.

Assessments

Computer assessments for P4-7 have now been completed. Pupils have worked hard and the assessments will help plan teaching and learning.

Healthy Eating

At school we operate a Healthy Eating policy. Children should be provided healthy (nut free) option at break time or may purchase snack provided. Only water is permitted in drinks bottles. Friday is the only exception to this as it is a treat day.

Contact hours

Teachers/ admin staff will only respond to messages sent within working hours. Please be mindful to respect this when making contact with school.

Sponsored Athlete Visit

One week to go....the excitement is building! Children have all received sponsor sheets and we would appreciate if money collected could be returned to school! If you do not have sponsors we are suggesting a donation of per child instead. Any donations will be used to fund sports equipment for schools and will contribute to Olympic and Paralympic athletes.



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Clubs

We are currently offering Science, Eco, Football and SU clubs this term. Thank you to the staff for providing great opportunities to learn and socialise.

Cycling Proficiency

Although funding has been removed for cycling proficiency we have made the decision to offer the course to our P7 pupils. Pupils wishing to participate should bring bicycles and helmets into school on Wednesday 31st May.



P6/7 Heartstart

P6/7 will work this half term to complete a short practical First Aid course called Heartstart. They will be learning important life skills such as treating minor wounds, using the recovery position and using CPR.

Written Homework

From 5th June teachers will no longer be setting written homework tasks. Routines such as spelling, mental maths, reading & online programmes should continue to be used. At this busy stage of the year this will allow children to spend time outdoors in other pursuits!

Book Fair

The book fair is in school this week and will be available for pupils to buy books until end of day, Tuesday 16th May. There is a fantastic 3 for 2 deal on books. You can come and visit with your child or send money into school!



P7 It's Your Move

On Tuesday Scripture Union NI (SUNI) delivered an inspiring workshop to our P7 leavers. They discussed exciting opportunities and the challenges that await the children as they make the move into Year 8. Pupils will receive confirmation of school places via email on Saturday 20th May.



Dates for the diary

15th May-P1/2 SE visit to St Olcan's PS

18th May-Election Day, school closed

19th May-Athlete Visit

22nd May- Walk to School week

29th & 30th May-school closure.

2nd June- P6 STEM visit to Ballycastle HS

5th June-P1/2 trip to Rosepark Farm

7th June-P5/6 shared Ed. mini sports day at Straidbilly PS

14th June-Sports Day

23rd June-P7 leavers Assembly and last day

30th June-Last day of term for P1-P6 (11/11.30am finish)