

Weekly News Friday 28th November

STARS OF THE WEEK: Congratulations to this week's stars: Ruben, Thomas H, Emily and Jessica. Well done everyone.

Ulster Scots Event

Our P6/7 class enjoyed their afternoon at St Olcan's PS on Tuesday. They took part together in an Ulster Scots workshop.

Open Night

We welcomed children and their parents from the local area to our open night on Wednesday. Thank you to all the staff who set up the school and those who volunteered their time on the evening.

Christmas Tree Festival

What a fantastic evening spent at St Patrick's Church (The Lagg) with family and friends. Our KS2 choir members were invited, along with St.



Olcan's to attend the opening evening and perform a few fun festive pieces. They sounded amazing, and should be very proud of themselves for doing such a wonderful job!!



A big thank you to the staff who volunteered their time to attend the event.

P1-4 visit to Mace

We had some very excited children who loved making a trip to Mace to post their letters to Santa Claus! Many thanks to the staff for making the children feel welcome!

Christmas Jumper Swap

Any pre loved items are welcome. Parents are welcome to come in to collect a jumper from the collection at drop off times in the morning. (the table is outside the office).

Working Hours

Following recent industrial action on behalf of teachers and school leaders, all schools have been instructed to remind parents of staff working hours. Staff can be contacted from 0845-1545 Mon-Fri (not including school holidays). Please note that this directive includes attendance at voluntary events outside of the normal pattern of working hours. The exception to this is in response to a critical incident—the Principal will be required to respond to anything of this nature outside working hours.

CHRISTMAS CARD BOX

A box will be available from Monday in the entrance hall for any pupils wishing to post their Christmas cards.



SPECIAL THANKS

To everyone who donated lots of different foods/treats to our Christmas Raffle Hamper. Also, to those who brought in Christmas jumpers/clothing for our swap.

A big thank you to the local businesses who very kindly have donated vouchers to be included in our raffle.

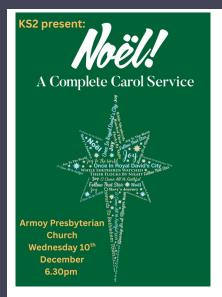
We really appreciate everyone's generosity. **Dates for your diary:**

Wednesday 3rd December—PTA Christmas Event
Friday 5th December—Santa Daily Mile— wear festive
clothes/accessories

Wednesday 10th December—KS2 Carol Service—6.30pm Armoy Presbyterian Church

Thursday 11th December—Christmas Dinner—wear festive clothes/accessories

Friday 12th December—KS1 Nativity in school time
12.30-1.30pm—EARLY FINISH WHOLE SCHOOL 1.30pm
Thursday 18th December—School Pantomime Trip
Friday 19th December - End of term 1B—11am finish



KS2 Carol Service— Wednesday 10th December at 6.30pm in Armoy Presbyterian Church. Children to be dropped off at the church at 6pm. Doors to the church will not open until 6.20pm. Donations taken from this service will be given to CRISIS Homeless charity and Armoy PC.



We are really looking forward to our KS1 Nativity. In the past we have charged for this, but having listened to feedback this year, there will be no charge for this event. However, any donations anyone wishes to make would be greatly appreciated. Please note that there will be an early finish for all pupils at 1.30pm.

FREE WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS & CARERS



Let's Talk– simple tools for building early language TUESDAY 25^{TH} NOV 7–8.30PM, ON ZOOM

Join Leigh, one of the Clinical Directors, and Speech and Language Therapists, at Insight Clinic for a session exploring how children learn to communicate, from first sounds to fluent conversations.

Hear Me, See Me, Know Me
WEDNESDAY 3^{RO} DECEMBER, 7–8.30PM, ON ZOOM

A workshop for parents of children who are being assessed or are diagnosed as autistic, delivered by Elaine McGreevy– Speech & Language Therapist.

Surviving the Season: Fussy Eating & Autism Made Easier WEDNESDAY 10TH DECEMBER, 7–8.30PM, ON ZOOM

A session on fussy eating and autism with Dr Kirsty Porter, Children's Dietitian at Nutrition4kidsNI.

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