

Weekly News

Friday 4th February



Australia Calls!

This week we said goodbye to a very special pupil, Grace Harrigan. Grace and her family are now on the long journey back to their home in Australia after a lengthy lockdown period spent in NI with family. Grace settled into Armoys PS life amazingly well and made so many new friends. Although we are glad the Harrigan family are able to head home we will really miss them here in Armoys.

P1/2 had a lovely farewell party for Grace and we want to wish the Harrigan family all the best for the future.



AQE Results

AQE results will be issued on Saturday 5th February and we want to wish every child waiting on them all the very best.

Post Primary Application Portal

The P7 portal for Post primary opened on the 1st February 2022. If you need any help with your child's application please contact Mrs Steele.

Parent teacher Interviews 7th—11th February

Please note that all pupils will need to be picked up every day next week at 1pm SHARP. Parents and guardians are asked to adhere to strict covid guidelines particularly the wearing of face coverings, sanitisation of hands and maintaining social distancing.

As we have had quite a few covid cases in school recently we would ask that you do not attend if you are feeling unwell. Teachers will be able to carry out phone interviews. Please get in touch if this is the case for you.

There will be no written homework sent home this week

After school clubs that were due to take place during interview week will take place week beginning 21st February instead.

Chinese New Year

We celebrated Chinese New Year in school this week and our pupils took part in activities and even tried some Chinese food!

Play Areas

We are currently working to further develop our outdoor play areas and have ordered some lovely new items which should be arriving this month. A special word of thanks to William who has been very busy tidying up and making new play items!

Safer internet day

Safer internet day is Tuesday 8th February and we will be talking to pupils about how to stay safe online.

Lateness

It is extremely important that pupils arrive at school every day in time for the start of class at 8.55am. When your child is late they miss the settling in period before class begins as well as the attendance register and meals list. Unfortunately late arrivals do have a negative impact on not only the child who arrives late but also the rest of the class who have settled into the start of their day.

Lateness has become noticeably worse this year and we ask that parents/carers do their best to ensure children are arriving at school **before** the start of class bell rings at 8.55am. Parents/carers are reminded that all late arrivals need to be signed in at the school office by an adult.

Absence

Attendance is recorded daily at school for morning and afternoon sessions. If your child is absent for any reason you must send a note in writing to school. This can either be through Seesaw (to Kathy in the office or the class teacher) or a hand written note. Where we do not receive an explanation of absence it is recorded on the system as unexplained.

Persistent absences are required to be passed on to the Education welfare officer.

Armoys Rocks!

Every pupil will be taking part in a project called Armoys Rocks. Please send a small stone to school for your child to take part.

Upcoming School Closures

Half term break: Monday 14th to Friday 18th February .

Public holiday-St Patrick's Day: Thursday 17th March

Easter holidays: Monday 11th to Friday 22nd April.

Advance notice of Election Day Closure—Thursday 5th May

