

April 2021 Newsletter

Parent/Teacher Phone calls will be held:

Monday 12th April: Primary 2 Mrs S. Mitchell Tuesday 13th April: Primary 2 Mrs F. Desmond/ Mrs R. Doran Tuesday 13th April: Primary 5 Mrs R. Connor Wednesday 14th April: Nursery Mrs R. Warne Thursday 15th April: Nursery Mrs C. Kyle Friday 16th April: Primary 3 Mrs M. Harley Monday 19th April: Primary 3 Mrs M. McCormack





The school photographer will be in on Monday 12th April for Nursery, Primary 1 and Primary 7 children only. A group photo will be collated for the Primary 7 children using single images also. Unfortunately, there will be no family photographs taken at this time.

Parents/Guardians are under no obligation to purchase any photographs at any time. If you do wish to purchase photographs you can do so directly from Tempest Photographymore information to follow.

Strict social distancing and sanitising will be followed at all times.

We are delighted to share that we have secured further funding to deliver the Engage Programme after Easter.



School policies can be found on the school website under the 'My School' section. There is also a wide range of support information for parents in the 'Parents Section' of the school website. This is updated regularly. The holiday list for the next academic year and updated menus for school dinners can also be accessed here.

FAO: P7 Parents/Guardians,

We are delighted to inform you that we will be working alongside HURT to deliver a Drugs & Alcohol awareness programme as part of our PDMU curriculum after Easter. It will be a 6 week programme commencing on Monday 19th April.

The programme will be delivered though the child friendly theme of 'The Wizard of Oz' and aims to highlight the following aspects:

- smoking
- alcohol
- drugs
- social media
- bullying

We are delighted to be welcoming the following sports coaches into school after Easter:

Ulster GAA (funded by the Dept. of Education)

Wednesday's: Primary 3, Primary 5 & Primary 6

Ryan McBride Foundation

Tuesday's: Primary 7 Friday's: Primary 4

Ardmore Cricket Club

First 3 weeks- Wednesday's; then Thursday's: Primary 7

Thank you to all our community clubs who support our children and to Mr Herron for organising this. All coaches will be following strict risk assessment protocols as well as social distancing and sanitising of equipment.

Monday 26th April-Friday 30th April. Standardised testing week for Primary 3-Primary 7 children. Please make sure children are punctual for school this week and have a good night's sleep so that they are ready to do their best. These tests will be administered in as child friendly way as possible. All we ask is for children to do their best. As children have missed so much school, we are aware that these assessments may not be totally reflective of the child's ability. Test booklets will be sent away and be marked by an independent assessor from GL assessment. Results will be shared in their end of year reports. These assessments will help inform future planning.

- Parents/Guardians must wear a mask (unless medically exempt) and exercise social distancing in and around the school gates.
- Check your child's temperature every morning before they come to school
- If ANYONE in your household is displaying symptoms and/or awaiting a Covid-19 test/results, do not send your child to school
- Inform the school if ANYONE in your household is displaying symptoms and/or awaiting a Covid-19 test/results using this email address: **smccafferty143@c2kni.net** at anytime



