

# Ballycraigy Primary School

## NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

### PASTORAL

#### **Child Protection**

The designated teacher for Child Protection is Dr Edwards, Mrs D Fowler and Mrs R Little are her deputies.

#### **Attendance**

*UNCRC Article 28 – You have the right to good quality education. You should be encouraged to go to school.*

Average attendance for October 2015 is 97.8%

P1 – 98.8%	P2 – 98.2%	P3 – 97.9%	P4 – 98.6%
P5 – 95.7%	P6 – 98.7%	P7 – 96.9%	

#### **Right of the Month**

Armistice Day 11<sup>th</sup> November 2015

*Article 38*

*..... Children in war zones should receive special protection.*

### HEALTH AND SAFETY

#### **Dogs**

Due to Health & Safety reasons dogs MUST not enter our grounds.

#### **Car Parking**

Please remember that only car park permit holders are allowed to use the school car park at 'peak' times in the morning and afternoon.

Some children and adults are still walking through the car park gate to enter the school grounds. Please use the pedestrian gate beside the playground.

**Road Safety Week 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> November 2014 – Special activities planned in school**

### **EXTENDED SCHOOLS**

Monday and Tuesday 3pm P4 –P7 Homework Club (selected children)  
Tuesday 2pm P1 Jo Jingles  
Thursday 2pm P3 Bricks4Kids  
Thursday 3pm P4-6 Bricks4Kids  
Friday 2pm P1 – 3 Playsport  
Friday 2pm P4 – 7 Playsport

### ADMINISTRATION

#### **P1 Intake 2016**

Parents with children at home who will be 4 years old on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016 should leave their name into the office so that an admission form for next year's intake September 2016 can be sent out.

#### **School Absences**

Please remember to contact the school either by telephone or in writing should your child be absent from school.

### COMMUNITY

#### **Antrim Christmas Lights**

The Christmas Lights will be switched on in the town on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2015. Competition leaflet with newsletter.

#### **Sure Start**

The next Sure Start Precious Moments Crèche will be on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November contact Leeann Wright on 9446 9644 to book your place

#### **Green Tokens in ASDA**

When doing your shopping in ASDA remember to ask for green tokens and select our school to donate to.

#### **Coffee Morning**

The next coffee morning arranged by Nicola Finlay, a family support worker is on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November from 10am – 12 noon. Citizen's Advice Bureau will be there to offer advice.

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### SCHOOL EVENTS

#### Open Night

Our Open Night will be held on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at 6.00pm. The Open Night will be aimed at children starting school in September 2016. If you or any of your family or friends has a child at home who will be 4 years old on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016 please leave their name into the office so that an admission form for primary one in September 2016 can be sent out. All other parents, and friends are welcome this evening.

#### Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair will be held in the school on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2015. The following items should be brought to the school:-

Week	9 <sup>th</sup> November	Bric-a-brac
Beginning:	16 <sup>th</sup> November	1 'bottle' or 'jar' for our bottle and jar stalls
	23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Toys, Games, DVDs, Books
	30 <sup>th</sup> November	Cakes, Buns, Tray Bakes etc

Raffle tickets will be going home in the next week or so

#### Asda Bag Packing

We URGENTLY need your help. We need volunteers for Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November from 11.00am – 5.00pm. Please contact the school office and let us know how you can help. We would appreciate if every family could help for just 1 hour.

Bag packing raises a large amount of money and really benefits your child in school for instance last year's bag packing raised enough money to purchase iPads, but we can only do this with your help so leave your name with Anne.

#### EVENTS

Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	ANBC P5 – P7 Rugby 10am
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	BOG 7.30pm
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Flu Vaccines
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Visit from Stormont Environment Committee
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	'Neon-up' day
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Open Night from 6pm
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	P5-7 NCAA Ice Hockey at SSE Arena (details to follow)
Save the date:	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2015 – School Play

#### PTA

The next PTA committee meeting is planned for Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend

#### BINGO

Bingo will be held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 6.30pm Adults £2.00 children £1.00. Keep the date free

### CHARITIES

#### Thanks

Thank you to everyone who attended our Harvest Service in October and for the kind donations. We collected £232.49 for kids4school charity.

Thanks also go to everyone who attended our coffee morning. We raised £265.00 for Breast Cancer Care.

Please remember 10p every Friday for our Kids4school child sponsorship.



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