

Ballycraigy Primary School

JUNE NEWSLETTER

PASTORAL

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

Child Protection

Our updated policy for Pastoral Care and Child Protection is available from the office or on our web site. The designated teacher for Child Protection is Dr Edwards and Mrs Fowler and Mrs Little are her deputies.

Start/Finish Times

Children should be encouraged to arrive at school before the 8.50am bell. School starts at 8.55am sharp. Children arriving after this time will be recorded as late on the school register. Persistent lateness will be reported to the Education Welfare Service. Remember breakfast club is available from 8.15am daily.

Article 45 Schedule 1 of the Children NI Order states that the Education Welfare Service can fine families up to £1000.00 for failing to ensure that their children attend school. The Education Welfare Officer visits school regularly to monitor attendance.

Parents of P2-P7 children are reminded that they should not enter the school playground but leave their child/children at the school gates.

E-SAFETY

Go to www.getsafeonline.org for lots of useful advice and information on how to stay safe online. Safeguardingni.org will also provide information for parents and carers on e-safety.

More information can be found at <http://www.deni.gv.uk/index/pupils-and-parents/pupils.htm>

EXTENDED SCHOOLS

Breakfast club each morning from 8.15am

Tuesday 3.00pm	P5 – P6 Hockey
Thursday 3.00pm – 4.00pm	Primary 6 Transfer Club
Monday & Thursday	P5 + Youth Club from 6.15pm

ADMINISTRATION

School Uniform

Uniforms can be purchased from Wallace's, A J Workwear and Tesco.com.

Primary 6 Parents

Primary 6 parents are reminded to register their child for AQE and GL entrance tests (for admittance to Grammar School September 2016)

End of Year Celebration Assembly

We would like to invite all parents to the End of year Celebration Assembly on Friday 24th June 2016 at 10.00am. The end of year awards for attendance, endeavour etc will be presented to all classes.

School Closures

School closes at 2.00pm on Monday and Tuesday 27th and 28th June. School closes at 12.00noon on Wednesday 29th June. School re-opens at the usual time 8.55am on Thursday 1st September 2016. School will close at 1.00pm on Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd September. From Monday 5th – Friday 9th September school will close at 2.00pm. Tuesday 1st – Friday 4th September 2015.

Staff

Miss H Gourley finishes maternity cover on Friday 17th June and Mrs Jess will be back on Monday 20th June.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Gourley and Mrs Ross for all their hard work.

Next year Primary 1, 2, 6 and 7 will have the same teachers.

Primary 3 will have Mrs Little and Mrs Matchett
Primary 4 will be taught by Miss Gourley
Primary 5 will be taught by Mrs Jess and Mrs Harmon

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.

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SCHOOL EVENTS

6 th June 2016	P5 – P7 Swimming Gala heats and PATHS Celebration Event
7 th June 2016	Best Kept School Awards and Roots of Empathy Celebration
8 th June 2016	Sport's Day (Weather permitting) School closes at 1.00pm
10 th June 2016	Antrim Festival Parade (leaflet attached)
13 th June 2016	Swimming Gala Finals
15 th June 2016	Visit from District Inspector and P7 Go-karting
16 th June 2016	P7 Go-Karting and P2 Greenmount Trip
17 th June 2016	Eco Trip to Castle Upton
17 th June 2016	Antrim Festival - Soap Box Racing
20 th June 2016	P6 Trip to "We are Vertigo" & Board of Gov's meeting at 7.00pm
20 th June 2016	MFT (moving Forward Together) launch at Antrim Civic Centre
22 nd June 2016	P7 Celebration night-out at Dunsilly Hotel
24 th June 2016	End of Year Celebration Assembly at 10.00am – Everyone Invited
24 th June 2016	P1 "Jo Jingles Party" at 1.00pm
27 th June 2016	School Fun Day with Picnic
28 th June 2016	All classes going to the Park
29 th June 2016	Last Day of Term school closes at 12.00noon

End of Month Treat

We intend to reward our children's good behaviour with a treat.

The treat for June will be on Monday 27th June which will be a Fun Day and picnic for all children.

On Tuesday 28th June all classes will be going to the park.

COMMUNITY

Families Together – Families together has been busy running programmes in school. Time for Me, Time for Children and Time Together have all been offered to families. September sees Health and Happiness course running FREE on a Wednesday morning starting 14th September for 4 weeks. Time for Parents course will also be running FREE in school

Look out for Fiona on a Monday morning as she offers "Tea at the Gate" stop and enjoy a cuppa, chat and biscuit.

Credit Union

Please be aware that you can continue to save during the summer by going to the Muckamore Credit Union on a Friday evening from 5.30pm – 7.30pm. If you want to save remember to keep your credit union book at the end of June instead of returning it to school.

RIGHT OF THE MONTH

Gardening Exercise Day 6th June 2016

Article 24

..... *Children have the right to good quality healthcare and a clean environment.*

CHARITIES/FUNDRAISING

Thank you to everyone who supported our 'Sip for Stroke' coffee morning and Crazy Hair Day. We raised a massive £1358.00

Thank you to everyone who helped at our PTA Summer Fair.



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