

# 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 2018 is 95.5%

Primary 1	96%	Primary 2/3	94%
Primary 3/4	96%	Primary 4/5	97%
Primary 6	92%	Primary 7	98%

#### School Absences

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

### ADMINISTRATION

#### P1 Intake 2019

Parents with children at home who will be 4 years old on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 should leave their name into the office so that an admission form for next year's intake September 2019 can be sent out.

#### EXTENDED SCHOOLS

Breakfast Club – each morning from 8.15am

Monday and Tuesday 3pm P4 –P7  
Homework Club (selected children)

Tuesday P4-7 Judo

Wed P1 Jump Jiggle & Jive

Friday 2.00pm P1 – 3 Playsport

Friday 3.00pm P4 – 7 Playsport

#### Right of the Month

Armistice Day 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018

#### Article 38

*You have the right to protection and freedom from war*

#### Nurture Principle

*Our classroom offers a safe base for all children*

### HEALTH AND SAFETY

#### Dogs

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

#### Car Parking

Please remember that only Staff & Blue Badge holders are allowed to use the school car park.

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 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018 – Special activities planned in school**

### COMMUNITY

Sure Start Wed 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> November 10.00am Choose to Lose  
Sure Start Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November 10.00am Budgeting workshop  
Sure Start Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> November 10.00am Parenting Puzzle  
Sure Start Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 10.00am Employability workshop

Antrim Switch On & Christmas Market – Friday 23 Nov 2018

**Time:** 4pm-8pm

**Venue:** Market Square

#### Families Together and St Jude's Church

Don't forget our Parenting café each Wednesday from 1.30pm in the school canteen.

Parenting NI – Sinead Tumelty  
Parent Support Worker – Kim Dunne

# Ballycraigy Primary School

## NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

### SCHOOL EVENTS

Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> , 21 <sup>st</sup> , 28 <sup>th</sup>	P1 Jump Jiggle & Jive
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup>	P5/6 Art Project
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> , 16 <sup>th</sup> , 23 <sup>rd</sup>	P2 – P7 Playsport
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	P6 Business Masterclass at Mossley Mill
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> , 20 <sup>th</sup> , 27 <sup>th</sup>	P4 – P7 Judo
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	P7 trip to Sentry Hill
19 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Road Safety Week
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	P2 Jo Jingles (final week)
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup>	PTA Bag Pack at ASDA
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Governors
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Open Night

### **Christmas Fair**

The Christmas Fair will be held in the school on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December 18.

The following items should be brought to the school:-

Week Beginning:

19<sup>th</sup> November Bric-a-brac  
26<sup>th</sup> November, Toys, Games, DVDs, Books  
3<sup>rd</sup> December, Cakes, Buns, Tray Bakes etc

### **Open Night**

Our Open Night will be held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 6.00pm. The Open Night will be aimed at children starting school in September 2019. If you or any of your family or friends have a child at home who will be 4 years old on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 please leave their name into the office. All other parents, and friends are welcome this evening. The Admission procedure has now changed and all admissions must be completed on-line via the education authority website: <https://www.eani.org.uk/admissions-guides/primary-schools-admission-guide/applying-for-primary-1-for-the-20192020-school>

Dates for your Diary – 6<sup>th</sup> December 2018 School visit to Pantomime, school will close at 1.00pm for ALL Pupils  
7<sup>th</sup> December 2018 PTA Christmas Fair, 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018 School Christmas Play 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018 School

### ON-LINE SAFETY

Anti-bullying week from 12 to 16 November

Parent Zone will be supporting Anti-Bullying Week – and its 2018 theme is ‘Choose Respect’

Parentzone has a recovery hub that contains lots of expert information and support for how to help young people recover from negative experiences such as bullying online. To review the resource go to

[www.parentzone.org.uk](http://www.parentzone.org.uk)

### **Asda Bag Packing**

We URGENTLY need your help. We need volunteers for Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November from 10.00am – 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.

### CHARITIES

#### **Thanks**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Harvest Service in October. We raised £300.00 for the Air Ambulance

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



Bracken Avenue • Antrim • Co. Antrim • BT41 1PU  
Tel: (028) 9446 2450 Fax: (028) 9446 1766  
Email: [info@ballycraigyps.antrim.ni.sch.uk](mailto:info@ballycraigyps.antrim.ni.sch.uk)  
Website: [www.ballycraigyprimary.org.uk](http://www.ballycraigyprimary.org.uk)