



NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2018

Dear Parents

Term 3 will be very busy and will move very quickly. Please take time to read this newsletter and note the dates of the various activities.

ADMISSIONS – September 2018

Letters regarding admissions for both Nursery and Primary 1, along with intake information, will be sent to parents by post from school on Thursday 26 April 2018.

We are also receiving enquiries about available places in P2 & P3 for September. If any child currently in P1 or P2 will not be returning to school in September it would be appreciated if this information was given in writing so that we are aware of any available places.

MILK MONEY

Parents of children who took milk during Term 2 have received details of payment for Term 3. All money should be received in school by Wednesday 18 April.

SCHOOL FUND

School fund for Term 3 (£6 per family) should be returned in the attached envelope by Wednesday 25 April.

DOOR ACCESS SYSTEM

A new door access button has been fitted to the inside doors from the school reception area into the Nursery. Parents are required to remain with children if they are using the toilet in this area.

Parents are asked not to permit children to use the door access buttons at the main front door.

STRANDTOWN CHILDREN

Please remember that Strandtown children should not be in the school grounds on Friday afternoons unless accompanied by a parent. Access to the school building will not be permitted to unaccompanied children.

CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS

Class photographs will be taken on Wednesday 2 May. Please ensure that children are wearing school uniform.

P1 TRIP TO STREAMVALE FARM

The Primary 1 children will be visiting Streamvale Farm on **Thursday 19 April** in connection with their topic on Animals. Information about this trip has already been sent home to parents of P1 children.

P3 TRIP TO MOUNT STEWART

Primary **3** children will be visiting Mount Stewart on **Tuesday 1 May** in connection with their topic on Houses & Homes. Information and details will be sent home shortly.

ASSESSMENT REMINDER

During this term, progress assessments will start from the beginning of May and continue into June. As the assessments include observations and practical activities it is important that children are at school as time constraints and organisation will not permit individual assessments at another time.

P3 CLUBS

As previously advised, there are **no P3 Wednesday Clubs** in Term 3 with the exception of the Active Living Club for children who have to complete their 6 week course (Wednesdays 11 April – 16 May). Parents of the children who will be involved in this club in Term 3 have already received separate information.

Homework Club will continue on Mondays and Tuesdays during Term 3. Final dates will be Monday 11 & Tuesday 12 June.

PTA

Events being organised for this term are as follows:

Friday 13 April – PTA Quiz – Tickets are still available from the office.

Friday 20 April - Cake Sale - Please see details on attached sheet.

Monday 7 May – PTA team take part in **Belfast City Marathon**. Please see details on attached sheet

Friday 1 June 6.30pm-8.30pm – **Family BBQ & Fun Night** - Further details will be sent home during May.

UNIFORM

During the Summer Term girls may wear **green and white** striped/checked summer dresses. To avoid confusion when changing for PE, please make sure that your child's name is visibly marked on the dress label. Please ensure that footwear is suitable for school. Uniform for next year will be available from school at the start of June. Details and an order form will be sent home at a later date.

MAY DAY HOLIDAY & MAY BANK HOLIDAY

School will finish on Friday **4 May at 1.30pm** (after school dinner and packed lunch). School will be closed for the May Day holiday on Monday 7 May.

School will finish on Friday **25 May at 1.30pm** (after school dinner and packed lunch).

School will be closed for School Development Day on Monday 28 May.

TERM DATES & HOLIDAYS 2018/2019

A list of the term dates and holidays for 2018/2019 is attached for your information. Please remember that holidays should not be booked during term time.

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Principal