



JAN/FEB 2024

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Term 2 Begins

JANUARY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

11th Jan

Cumann na mBunscol Hurling 5 aside.

Post Primary Admission Criteria Available on EA website.

17th Jan

Antrim Playball After Schools Club begins.

17th, 31st Jan

Library Van

18th Jan

Full Day Strike by Teacher Unions

19th January

Non Uniform Day for School Aid Romania

20th Jan

Mass in Our Lady of Lourdes, 7pm for P4.

25th Jan

Cumann na mBunscol Camogie 5 aside. P7 boys to Swimming.

21st -27th Jan

Down and Connor Catholic Schools Week

26th January

P2 Grandparents Day Assembly

27th January

SEAG Assessment results issued to parents.

30th January

EA online portal opens for Parents to apply to Post Primary preferred schools.

Welcome back after the Christmas holiday. I hope you had a great break, and the children have all returned with smiling faces, eager to be at school! We had a fantastic first term. There were so many highlights, but our Christmas productions and our Open Day/PTA event stand out as our favourites. We hope the children have enjoyed their presents and have now settled down to some regular routines. We would like to congratulate Mrs McCoy- Thompson and family on the birth of baby Joseph and Mr McPeake and family on the birth of baby Domhnall.

Mrs D. Storey

Primary One Online Admissions

The online admissions process for our new Primary One pupils for September 2024 will become live on the EA website on Tuesday 9th January at 12 noon and closes again on Friday 26th January at 12 noon. Please contact Mrs Storey on 028 796 50130 or via email to dstorey780@c2kni.net if you need any assistance with the application form.

Post Primary Online Admissions

The online admissions process for Post Primary Schools for September 2024 will become live on the EA website on Tuesday 30th January at 12 noon and closes again on Thursday 22nd February at 12 noon. Please contact Mrs Storey on 028 796 50130 or via email to dstorey780@c2kni.net if you need any assistance with the application form.

Please keep an eye on social media for Post Primary School Open Days or alternatively these dates are also available on Post Primary School Admission Criteria.

FEBRUARY DATES FOR
YOUR DIARY

1st Feb

St Brigid's Cross Making
afternoon.

6th Feb

Safer Internet Day

18th Feb

Mass in St Oliver Plunkett's
Church 12pm for P4

26th Feb

First Confessions 11am

Mid-Term Break

Mon 12th- Fri 16th (incl)

Full Day Strike Action

The five teaching unions have called for a full day strike on 18th January. School may have to close. More details will follow via seesaw.

School Aid Romania

On Friday 19th January we will have a non-uniform day to raise money for School Aid Romania at the request of past pupil, Una O'Donnell. Una will travel to Romanian Orphanages with her School, St Pat's Maghera. We would kindly ask that children pay £2 via school money to take part.

On this day children can bring a toy to school that they got for Christmas. No electronics or phones.

After Schools Clubs

Antrim Playball will deliver an After Schools Programme every Wednesday from 17th January- 28th February.

P1-2 1:40-2:40

P3-7 2:40-3:40

They will cover sports such as dodgeball, tag rugby, hockey, basketball, football and tennis.

MR Sports will deliver dance and drama and Archery and Nerf. This will begin the week beginning 15th January for five weeks on Mondays and Tuesdays.

P1-2 1:40-2:40

P3-7 2:40-3:40

Details of how to book will be shared via seesaw soon.

Cumann na mBunscol

P7 will take part in Hurling 5 aside on 11th January and P7 girls will take part in Camogie 5 aside on 25th January. Please bring a helmet if you have one. Indoor hurls will be provided.

P7 Swimming

P7 will begin swimming on 25th Jan. Please bring £1 for the lockers.

P.E Term 2

Mondays and Wednesdays.

Monday P.E. will be taken by MR sports.

P4 FHC Preparation

P4 together with their parents are invited to Our Lady of Lourdes Church on Saturday 20th January at 7p.m. and St Oliver Plunkett's Church on Sunday 18th February as part of the Parish of Duneane preparations for First Holy Communion. Children do not need to wear their uniform.

Grandparents Assembly

We warmly invite Primary 2 Grandparents to a special Grandparents assembly on 26th January at 1:00 p.m. in our school hall. Further details will follow on seesaw.

Down and Connor Catholic Schools Week

The theme of this years Catholic Schools is Communities of Service. All classes will complete tasks on:

- Service in Our Community of Friends
- Service in Our School Community
- Service in Our Family Community
- Service in Our Local Community
- Service in Our Faith Community

St Brigid's Day Lá Fhéile Bríde

We warmly invite family members to our school hall to make St Brigid's Crosses with our pupils from 1:40-2:40 p.m. on Thursday 1st February.

First Confessions

We ask you to keep our Primary Three pupils in your prayers as they will make their First Confessions on Monday 26th February at 11am in Our Lady of Lourdes, Moneyglass. Children should go straight to the Church on this day and do not return to school. Children should wear their full school uniform.

A reminder to please send in your child's baptismal certificate to school if you haven't already done so.

Awards

Congratulations to our Primary Seven Girls who won the SW Antrim Cumann na mBunscol Shield.



We were delighted to be awarded a Gold Award in Croke Park in recognition of our LGFA Club-School Link with St Ergnat's LGFA.



Congratulations to our Primary Five pupil who won a competition to design a delicious new flavour of ice-cream as part of an exciting Global Entrepreneurship week competition organized by Mid and East Antrim Borough Council. All his Classmates were invited to the Milk Parlour in Glenarm to try the exciting flavour and learn more about running an ice cream business.



Congratulations to our Primary Two pupil for her success in the Credit Union Art Competition.



This year our school community contributed to the St. Vincent De Paul Christmas appeal. Miss Maire Berry, a representative from SVDP was invited to a school assembly on 18th December and was presented with a cheque for £370.



Friends of Millquarter PTA

A huge thank you to Friends of Millquarter for organising a wonderful Christmas Event which took place alongside our open day on Saturday 9th December. Santa and his elves were present in our outside Grotto which was decorated to perfection by Mrs Marie Neeson. Elaine Kelly took amazing photos, and these were delivered to all families in a beautiful Christmas cover. Mrs Clause read many magical Christmas stories in our library area. There was facing painting, arts and crafts and Christmas treats in our school hall as well as more chances to have photos taken in Lagan's Beautiful Christmas Sleigh. Our open morning was also a huge success. Thank you to staff, student teachers and pupils for facilitating this.



Winners of the Raffle including Christmas Hampers and Ben's Ice Cream Studio Vouchers.



Christmas Dinner

Thank you to the EA school kitchen for our delicious Christmas dinner on Friday 15th December. 97 pupils and 17 staff availed of a school meal in a very festive school canteen. Everyone wore their Christmas jumper and the Christmas Music added to the party atmosphere.



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We invited P1 Grandparents to our Primary One classroom on 4th Dec. Grandparents were given the opportunity to spend time with the children making Christmas Crafts. Everyone enjoyed a beautiful spread of food supplied by Betty O'Kane.



Christmas Productions

Carol Service

P3-7 Christmas Carol Service on 7th Dec in Our Lady of Lourdes Church.



Foundation Stage Christmas Performance

Our Primary ones and twos performed Snowman at Sunset in our school hall.

