



Newsletter

Tuesday 21st February 2017

Peace Proms

Here are a few reminders about the trip to SSE Arena Belfast on Sunday 26th February.

1. All children should wear a plain white t-shirt/ shirt/ blouse (no logos) and dark bottoms (uniform bottoms are fine – skirt, tights for girls and trousers for boys).
2. Children have to be seated 2 hours before the event which starts at 3.00pm. The children will be taking part in a pre-concert rehearsal. As a result the bus will be leaving from Castledawson Primary School at 11.30am and Miss Bradford and Mrs McCusker will accompany the children.
3. Children should bring a packed lunch and snack in a plastic or paper bag – no lunch boxes etc. Please send sandwiches (or alternative) and 2 bottles of water (for lunch and re-hydration during performance). 2 treat items are also permitted.
4. Children also bring a coat which will be stored under their seat.
5. The performance will finish around 4.30pm/ 5pm so children will travel home again in the bus and going by last year, the pick-up from school should be 7.00pm. Any difference in time will be communicated by text to parents.

World Book Day

World Book Day is on 2nd March this year but school is closed for the polling station on this date. As a result we are celebrating WBD on the 1st March instead. The theme for our WBD this year is **Roald Dahl**. He is such a wonderful children's author we felt everyone would have fun coming to school dressed up as a character from one of his many books as well as participate in planned Roald Dahl activities throughout the day. Each teacher will advise via Seesaw of anything further specific to their own class.

World Maths Day

World Maths Day is on Sunday 12th March

but we are celebrating it on Friday 9th March. Each class will take part in various fun maths activities and will participate in a maths trail whether in the school grounds or around the village.

Photographer

The school photographer will be in school on Friday 3rd March. It will follow the same format as last year as we felt it was very successful. A separate letter will go out regarding this.

Book Fair

The book fair will be visiting school on 8th – 15th March. There will be opportunities for children to visit the book fair during school and each class will have a designated time slot and so can purchase items then or alternatively, can visit with parents during the times of 8.40 – 9.00, 2.00 – 2.20, 3.00 – 3.20pm. The book fair will be in the hall.

Bushmills

Our trip on 20 – 23rd March is fast approaching. Children will be issued with Health forms which need to be returned as soon as possible please. Children and accompanying teachers will also have a meeting where information regarding what they should bring will be given out. Please contact Mrs McCusker if you have any questions.

Parent Teacher Meetings

Meetings take place on week beginning 20th Feb. **HOP will continue as usual all week.** The only after school clubs taking place this week will be **Karate, Gymnastics, Tuesday Football and Nurture Buddy.** Please remember that Thursday football begins this week!

Dates for the Diary

Further details will follow

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| 20th February | School reopens and after school clubs resume including Thursday football.

Parent teacher meetings all week. School finishes at 2.00pm for all pupils.

Dr Bike in school |
| 26th February | Peace Proms in SSE Arena 3pm |
| 28th February | P6 visit Woodhall – Shared Ed |
| 1st March | Celebrate World Book Day |
| 2nd March | School Closed for Polling Station |
| 3rd March | School Photographer |
| 3rd, 6th, 7th March | National Standards Cycle Training – Sustrans for P6 |
| 9th March | iPad night held in The Inn, Castledawson for any parents wanting to know more about the use of iPads to support learning. Joint venture with New Row PS and iTeach

World Maths Day on 12 th – we will celebrate on 9 th ! |
| 13th March | Mrs Nelson returns to Room 5 |
| 20th – 31st March | Big Pedal Sustrans |
| 20th – 23rd March | Bushmills Trip |
| 27th – 31st March | Coleraine Festival (exact dates to be confirmed) |