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We care

We share

We learn

Week beginning Monday 15th January 2018

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Mon 15 th Jan	Parent & toddlers begins again					
	Swimming for Y7 – remember £2, swim gear and goggles (& hat for girls)					
Tues 16 th Jan	Assembly & Principal's Awards for Week 1 @ 9.15am					
	Y5 Sports for life (Leona Brown UU) 11am in school					
Wed 17 th Jan	• Eoin McNicholl (Ulster GAA) fundamentals Y2: 9.15 & Y1 9.50am					
	Violin lessons					
Thurs 18 th Jan	● Y4 Fit for Life					
	Patsy McLarnon Gaelic Football tournament Meadowbank (12 Y7 boys) morning only					
	Flute & Clarinet lessons					
	Y7 Fun in Athletics 12.30 (afternoon) – more info to follow					
	Golf afterschools club 3-4pm. Bring PE gear to change into (bottoms & t-shirt)					
Fri 19 th Jan	Assembly & Principal's Awards for Week 2 @ 9.15am					
	Guitar lessons					
	• Eoin McNicholl (Ulster GAA) fundamentals Y3: 1.15pm. Remember your gear!					
Mon 22 nd Jan	Friends of New Row Calendar Sub-committee meeting 6pm					
Thur 25 th Jan	Y4 Fit for Life					
Sat 27 th Jan	• St Mungo's 2, Parish Centre Magherafelt 7pm (St Malachy's GAC with FoNR raffle)					
Sun 28 th Jan	Catholic Schools' Week begins					
	Bridge Mass 3: Baptism & New Beginnings 9am St Patrick's Church					
Tues 30 th Jan	• Y6 Assembly 9.30 in school hall – parents/family welcome. Over by 10am					
Wed 31 st Jan	Grandparents' Afternoon					
Mon 5 th – Fri 9 th March • Parent & Teacher interviews. School will close for all pupils at 1pm						

Important dates for Y6 & 7 pupils and their parents

Wed 17 th Jan	St Patrick's College Maghera Open Evening 7pm					
Thurs 18 th Jan	Rainey Endowed Open Evening for pupils from New Row & their parents 7pm					
Sat 20 th Jan	St Patrick's College Maghera Open Day 10am					
Tues 23 rd & Wed	d 24 th Jan	St Mary's Grammar School Open Evenings 7pm				
Wed 24 th Jan	Sperrin Integrated College Open Evening 7pm					
Sat 27th Jan	GL Transfer results issued to parents of Y7s					

- Some New Row PS 2018 Calendars are still available from the general office. £6 each & 3 for £15.
- Golf places: there are still some places available in the **golf afterschools club**. If you would like your child to take part, please send in £10 with their name written on the front of the envelope.
- Miss McVey was very touched by our farewell after mass last Friday. Thanks to everyone who came along. It is lovely to be able to share mass with the children. Thanks to Fr Branigan for his leadership.
- NR Runners Reminder: Welcome to join Andrea's track sessions on Mon & Wed 6.30pm Meadowbank Class assemblies 2017-18 –diary reminders. All assemblies will begin at 9.30am in the assembly hall. Y4 will share First Confession/Communion plays with the school community and don't have a specific date.

Tue 30 th Jan	Fri 23 rd Feb	Fri 23 rd March	Fri 27 th April	Fri 11 th May	Fri 15 th June
Year 6	Year 5	Year 3	Year 7	Year 2	Year 1

Many thanks for your continued support and every blessing for 2018



HELP! Missing reading books!

Several classes have reported that books have not been returned to school or have gone missing at home.

We really need every home to check to see if they have any school reading books on their shelves, in cupboards, under the stairs, under sofas, beds etc. Already, books bought with money raised from our Bookathon last year have gone missing! This means that there are not full sets and children have to share books, use a photocopy or wait before they move on to the next book.

PLEASE, PLEASE check this week and send any books in – no questions asked!

In future a new reading book will only be issued when the last one has been returned. We appreciate your understanding.

MOUTHGUARDS IN SPORT

Since January 2014 it has been mandatory for players to wear a mouth guard in all Gaelic football practice sessions and games. This is in an effort to reduce the



risk of injures to the teeth and jaws and concussion. In New Row PS we believe it prudent to have a similar policy for children taking part in matches, blitzes or sessions with outside coaches.

Please make sure your child has their own mouth guard if they will be taking part in Gaelic football e.g. Patsy McLarnon tournament this Thursday. Mouth guards can be bought from sports outlets such as O'Neill's for approx. £2/3. It is not the responsibility of the teacher to check every child's mouth. However, if it is noticed that a child is not wearing their mouth guard, he/she will be excluded from taking part in that session. Many thanks for your cooperation.

School Council Update Our School Council organised a 50p non-uniform day before Christmas to raise money for charity. They raised almost £70 and have decided to donate it to NSPCC. This is their chosen charity of the year, with another event planned for NSPCC Number Day on Fri 2nd Feb. The School Council also decided on the focus of the principal's awards for last week: making a good start to Term 2 and being a role model for your classmates. What a great example of student leadership in action!

St Malachy's GAC Presents



Saturday 27th January 2018

Parish Centre, Magherafelt Tickets (£15) available from the school office or by contacting Philip on 07856381614

This is the sequel to the show we hosted in January 2016 UPDATE: Friends of NR are running the raffle for school funds. Another excellent reason to show your support!

Parents of Y6 & 7:

Peace Proms Tickets

available online at

www.ssearenabelfast.com

Standard £15.50, Family (2 adults & 2 child u16) £55.00.

Y6&7 children do <u>not</u> need a ticket





St Malachy's GAC, Castledawson Youth night takes place on Thursday evening (18th January) at 7pm to celebrate the past year for youth football, camogie and hurling. All our youth and parents are invited along. Special guest this year is the All-Star Monaghan player/Ireland vice-captain, Conor McManus. It promises to be a brilliant evening