

New Row Primary School
43 New Row
Castledawson
BT45 8AP
028 7946 8426



Principal:
Mrs D Graffin
B.Ed. M.Ed. PQH(NI)

We care

We share

We learn

Parent Information: Monday 18th November 2019:

ROAD SAFETY WEEK 2019

Mon 18 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y6 swimming, Y5&7 PE with Derry GAA coach & Mr Hasson
Tues 19 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly & awards from home Y6 Our Place Project with Liz Weir (am) Week 2 of 2
Wed 20 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PE for all Y1-3 pupils with class teachers. Violin lessons
Thur 21 st Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y4 Fit For Life Treat Thursday! Bring a small bar/packet of crisps to eat along with your break Whole school ROAD SAFETY WEEK homework
Fri 22 nd Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly & weekly awards Credit Union collections continue. Y6 Forest School Flute & Clarinet lessons

Dates for your diary

Fri 6 th Dec	Walking bus (leaving Broagh Village at 8.30am) Monthly Mass 9.45am
Wed 11 th Dec	Christmas dinner & Xmas jumper Day
Thur 12 th Dec	Open Day: 9.30-11am & 1.30-2.30pm
Sun 15th Dec	Carol Service 5pm (All Y3-7 attend) followed by tea in NRPS
Mon 16 th Dec	Parent & Toddler Christmas party – with special guest! Y7 singing in Meadowlane 1.30pm
Tues 17 th Dec	Christmas in New Row 9.30am: Y3 nativity play, Y1 & 2 festive songs & Christmas Musicians. Parents & family welcome. <i>Performances will be in St Patrick's Church</i> Staff Dinner: School Closes 1pm. No A/school available.
Thurs 19 th Dec	Last full day of school. Non uniform (£1 donation for charity)

- Well done to all our **tin whistlers** who entertained family, friends and staff at their end of club concert last Thursday. We were so impressed with the young talent. The future is bright – and sounds great!
- Well done to pupils who sat **GL assessment** on Saturday. We are very proud of them all – and all our Y7 pupils, Another step along the road.
- Well done to Y4 for their participation in their first **Bridge Mass** yesterday. Thanks also to parents who volunteered to organise masses in the future.
- Please see overleaf for important info and request for feedback following **Anti Bullying Week 2019**
- Is your child due to start Y1 in Sept 2020?** Do you have a relative, neighbour or friend who would like their child to attend NRPS? Please contact the school office (and encourage others to) so we can gather some information. This will allow us to keep parents informed about key dates etc in the application process. Remember also to come along to our Open Day on Thursday 12th Dec. More info overleaf.
- Don't miss the **exciting announcement** overleaf regarding a **successful grant application!**
- Road Safety Week:** Watch out for whole school homework (Thurs night) helping to keep everyone safe.
- Fr Branigan was delighted with the interest shown by those wishing to be **altar servers**. They will be trained over the next few months and a rota drawn up. Thanks to all families for support.
- FoNR Calendar.** Thanks very much for all the sponsorship received. Pre-orders will begin this week.
- Break money** due? Unfortunately, only breaks where balances have been settled will be distributed.
- Remember your weekly **head lice check!**

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs Deirdre Graffin

Principal



CONGRATULATIONS TO...US!

I am delighted to share that our application to National Lottery Awards for All Northern Ireland was successful and we have been awarded a grant of £10,000 for 'Be the Change You Want To See In The World' project. The application, led by Eco Coordinator Miss Walls, will see the installation of an *outdoor classroom*. This will be situated near the sensory garden and can be used for a variety of purposes, including Eco-related work, meetings for school & eco councils and Digital leaders and for children to complete learning tasks in smaller groups e.g. reading/maths related work. We are thrilled our application was successful and thank Miss Walls and everyone involved, including parents who returned questionnaires last year. It is nearly ready to be delivered – what a celebration we will have when it arrives! Well done, everyone!



OPEN DAY 2019 Thurs 12th Dec

Morning: **9.30-11am** Afternoon **1.30-2.30pm**

Is your child starting school in September 2020? Are you a parent of school age children, a current parent or friend of New Row? Come along!

See the outstanding learning taking place every day

Take a walk around our *EXCELLENT FACILITIES*** guided by School Council members**

If for any reason you are unable to attend, please call, talk to the principal and arrange another time



Following our celebration of **Anti Bullying Week 2019** we are seeking the views of parents and those at home. Our Anti Bullying Policy is online and will be updated again shortly when the training for staff, governors, parents and children covering the new Anti Bullying legislation is rolled out by DENI. We use 3 key messages in New Row:

*When someone says or does something **unintentionally** hurtful and they do it once, that's **RUDE**.*

*When someone says or does something **intentionally** hurtful and they do it once, that's **MEAN**.*

*When someone says or does something **intentionally** hurtful and they **keep doing it** even when you tell them to stop or show them that you're upset, that's **BULLYING**.*

Anti Bullying: Consultation with parents

1. Did you receive the anti bullying summary leaflet? YES / NO
2. Did your child talk to you about the work completed in class?
3. Did your child share any messages from both our Anti Bullying Assemblies (Tues/Fri)? *Eg Rude/Mean/Bullying, Change starts with us*

Please feel free to provide any comments about any of the above or any relevant general comments/suggestions and return to Mrs Graffin. Continue on a separate sheet if desired.

Signed: _____ Parent/guardian of: _____