

New Row Primary School
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We care

We share

We learn

Parent Information: Monday 7th October 2019

School closes at 1pm for all children (Parent Interviews & Staff Training)

No Afterschools Clubs (except golf – see below)

Afterschool Provision until 4pm: places must be booked using Parent Pay (£3 until 3pm, £5 until 4pm)

Mon 7 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent & Toddler Group 9.15-11am • No Y6 swimming or Y5 & 7 PE • Y7 Afterschool Literacy & Numeracy Club • GOLF AFTERSCHOOL CLUB (rescheduled date) 1.15-2.15
Tues 8 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assembly and Rosary (& awards)
Wed 9 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chest, Heart & Stroke Workshop 1 of 3 with Y5 • Violin lessons • PE for all Y1-3 pupils with class teachers
Thur 10 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treat Thursday! Bring a small bar/packet of crisps to eat along with your break • Y4 Fit for Life in Meadowbank. £2.50. Bring gear, snack & water. • Irish Language Classes begin with Y6 & 7 (Mid Ulster Council tutor) • Staff training: Action Mental Health workshop – Healthy Me • Y3 Fresh Little Minds workshop week 4/6
Fri 11 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No assembly: Rosary in rooms • 'Flu Vaccinations • Credit union collections continue • Flute & Clarinet lessons.
Mon 7 th Oct	Parent/Teacher Interviews all week. School closes 1pm Monday – Friday.

- Parent Interview Week. Please make sure to book ahead if you are using the **afterschool facility** from 1pm – 4pm this week. Select AFTERSCHOOL Club to 3pm or 4pm as appropriate. (3pm: £3, 4pm: £5)
- Well done to all pupils and staff for engaging in the first of our **Online Safety** weeks. Principal's Awards tomorrow will reward Y1-7 who showed extra enthusiasm and engagement in the online safety lessons.
- **FoNR Quiz**: see overleaf for more information. This will be a great night! Get your teams ready! All money raised will be used to continue to replace the interactive panels throughout the school.
- Walking bus: a super turn out in wet conditions. Well done to everyone and thanks for the support.
- **Start of school mass**: Well done to Y7 who led our start of school mass so well. Fr Branigan was very impressed with their leadership and the lovely singing. Thanks to everyone who came along, too.
- **Y7 Confirmation**: Bellaghy Tues 31st March @ 5pm, Magherafelt Sun 7th June @ 3pm
- **Carol Service** is confirmed for Sunday 15th December at 5pm. Y3 will perform the nativity play and each class from Y4-7 will perform, including a carol for each individual class. Please put the date in the diary.
- Has your child changed their mind about **canteen break**? Remember that you must speak directly with the kitchen. This is very important if you are cancelling the order - you will be charged in full.

Many thanks for your support.

- **Mrs Deirdre Graffin** *Principal*

Volunteering in school. Could you give us a little of your time? Perhaps to accompany a class on a trip? Normally volunteers do not need to be vetted if they are always under the supervision of a member of staff. However, if you could offer a little more time, it is recommended that we complete the correct safeguarding checks. Please complete and return the slip overleaf to the office and we can arrange for you to complete the necessary paperwork. *Remember we welcome help from other family members, too!*



FRIENDS OF NEW ROW



18TH OCTOBER 2019

MOYOLA GOLF CLUB 7.30PM

£5 PER PERSON (MAX 6 PER TEAM)

RAFFLE ON THE NIGHT

GREAT PRIZES TO BE WON!!!!

ALL PROCEEDS TO SCHOOL FUNDS

Quiz Night Raffle

Could you donate a prize for our raffle? Chocolates, bottle or other gift? All donations appreciated.

Update from Education Welfare Officer

We had our termly visit from our designated EWO last week who reviewed attendance so far this year. As principal, I have been asked to remind parents of a few important issues raised:

1. Holidays should not be taken during term time. These are recorded as unauthorised absences. Work/reading materials etc cannot be supplied by the teacher.
2. Appointments - Review of procedures: From today, all parents taking a child to an appointment must sign their child in/out at the office. Medical appointments taken during the school day affect attendance. We are not allowed to overwrite these. The EWO will return at the start of term 2 to review attendance and procedures.

Annual Ditch the Dark Day

How bright can I be?

In conjunction with our Active Travel partners **Sustrans**, on **Friday 25th October 2019** we are again hosting this event to encourage children to keep safe during the darker months by dressing brightly when out and about. **Prize for the brightest outfit in each class** (and brightest staff member, too!). Pupils please bring £2 for school funds. *Special treat for all pupils*

Special dinner



I would be interested in volunteering in school and am willing to complete the necessary paperwork.

Name:

Connection to New Row: