



We care

We share

We learn

Week beginning Monday 15th October 2018

Mon 15 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent & Toddler Group • Installation of new projector and screen in hall (Thank you, Friends of New Row!) • Y5 & 7 Gaelic football • AS: Art & Craft 3-4pm Y5 & 6 (Miss Gribbin) Week 2 of 6 • Irish dancing 6pm • Friends of New Row meeting re celebration day 6.30pm
Tues 16 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assembly & Awards • AS: Junior Gymnastics 2-3pm Y2, Gymnastics 3-4pm Y3 (with Anna Devlin) Wk 3 of 6 • Meeting of singers for Celebration Morning 6.30pm in chapel – everyone welcome!
Wed 17 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violin lessons • Y1-2-3 PE with Eoin (Ulster GAA) • AS: Y5 Speedwell Club with CPS • AS: Lego 3-4pm Mrs Murphy Y4, Cross County 3-4pm Mrs McElroy Y6 & 7 Wk 3 of 6
Thur 18 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Irish lessons for Y6 & 7 children with Suzanna McKenna (Mid Ulster Council) • AS: Music (Tin Whistle) 3-4pm Miss McNicholl/Mrs Graffin Y4 & 5 Week 3 of 6 • AS: ICT iPad club 3-4pm Mrs Scullion & Miss Dillon Y6&7 Week 3 of 6
Fri 19 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flute/Clarinet lessons • Credit Union Collection • AS: Gaelic Football with Derry GAA Coach (Week 2 of 6)
Sat 20 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Open Day/Community Event with mass at 10am, St Patrick's Church

Dates for your diary:

Fri 26 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ditch the Dark Day! Be as bright as you can be – see overleaf
Confirmation (Bellaghy Parish) Sat 9 th Feb 12 noon (Magherafelt Parish): date to be confirmed by diocese	
First Communion: Sat 18 th May 2018 at 11am, St. Patrick's Church Castledawson	

- Lots of important information overleaf.
- Thanks to everyone who returned their green slip re help for Saturday's Celebration Day. Anyone else free to help on the morning? Just let the office, Mrs Graffin or any of Friends of New Row know. We will also be sending out more information tomorrow regarding jobs for pupils & families, consent etc. We would like as many Y4-7 as possible to help with the choir and many of our older children back at the school. We would also love to see as many of Y1-3 as possible with their families.
- Parents of Y4 pupils preparing for First Communion: important dates of the bridge masses and First Confession have been scheduled by the parish. See overleaf.
- Thanks to everyone who returned the 'healthy break treat day' reply slip. We will be implementing this after Halloween, following consultation with the canteen. Until then, please remember that crisps, chocolate, treat bars and fizzy drinks should not be part of any break or lunch!
- If you have not already done so, we would appreciate if parents of Y4-7 could complete, sign and return the questionnaire regarding use of stanines and reporting test performance given out at P/T meetings.

Many thanks for your support.

Mrs Deirdre Graffin

Principal



Celebrating the past...



Calling all past pupils, family members and friends of New Row!
We need your voices!

Come and join...
NEW ROW CHOIR (FOR A DAY)
Singing some of our old favourites
ALL abilities welcome!

...building the future!

Next practice: Tues @ 6.30pm in chapel

First Communion: Bridge Masses

Parish of Magherafelt & Castledawson

Mass 1: *Enrolment* Sun 4th Nov 9am, followed by short meeting to organise future masses

Mass 2: *Advent* Sun 2nd Dec 9am

Mass 3: *New Beginnings* Sun 27th Jan 9am

Mass 4: *Lent* Sun 10th March 9am

First Penance: Thur 21 March at 7pm

Mass 5: *Concluding mass* Sun 5th May 9am

First Communion: Sat 18th May at 11am

All take place in St Patrick's Church, Castledawson.

This is a parish programme, supported by the school.

Parental involvement is encouraged & expected.



Ditch the Dark Day How bright can I be?

In conjunction with our Active Travel partners **Sustrans**, on **Friday 26th October 2018** 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 staff member, too!).



Pupils please bring £2 for school funds (Max £5 per family)



Last year we were unable to complete the shoebox appeal due to the building work restrictions. We supplied individual items and Fiona Kelly (charity coordinator) was so delighted with how helpful this was in filling up other boxes that they asked we do the same again this year. These gifts are very helpful as some boxes are incomplete or need a few more items. We have spread the items around the classes. *Please do not bring any donations in yet.* We hope this is as successful as last year.

All Classes:	
Underwear (Male/Female) vests/pants age 5-6 up to Elderly	
Y1	Yo-yos, Farm animals
Y2	Skipping ropes or Tennis balls
Y3	Bubbles
Y4	Deodorant
Y5	Shampoo or Lip balm
Y6	Soap or Nail polish
Y7	Shaving gel or Hair accessories

Friends of New Row: 2019 Calendar - Advanced Notice

Following last year's project, we will be producing beautiful calendars celebrating the talents, interests and experiences of all our New Row PS pupils. These are an ideal present for loved-ones - family, friends and anyone with a connection to New Row. EVERY PUPIL OF NEW ROW PS will be in the calendar.

If you are interested in placing an advertisement to promote your business or know someone who is, please talk to Carmel Diamond or Madeline Gribbin. You can also contact the school office for information. We will of course encourage families to support all businesses advertised in the calendar.

All money raised will directly benefit the children in our school. Thank you for your continued support.

Weekly reminder: Appointments & children going home due to illness

Appointments should be made for outside of school time, but we understand that this is not always possible. In the interests of Health & Safety and Child Protection, anyone collecting/returning a child should sign them in/out in the office. An 'out/in' book is now in use. Please remember to sign it. Remember also to contact the school if your child will be off due to illness and send in a note to the teacher on their first day back.