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We care

We share

We learn

Week beginning Monday 19th November 2018: ROAD SAFETY WEEK

Mon 19 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent & Toddler 9.15-11am • Y6 Swimming and Y5 & 7 PE (pm) • A/S: Art & Craft (week 5 of 6)
Tues 20 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assembly & Awards
Wed 21 st Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digital Leaders & ICT club visiting Apple Store in Belfast • Violin lessons • Y1-2-3 PE with Eoin (Ulster GAA) • AS: Y5 Speedwell Club with CPS
Thur 22 nd Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treat day! Bring a small bar/packet of crisps to eat along with your break • Irish lessons for Y6 & 7 children with Suzanna McKenna (Mid Ulster Council) • Whole School Road Safety homework
Fri 23 rd Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y4 visiting War Museum in Belfast with CPS as part of WW2 topic • Flute/Clarinet lessons • Credit Union Collection • AS: Gaelic Football with Derry GAA Coach (Week 5 of 6)
Sun 2 nd Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bridge Mass 2 at 9am (First Communion prep) for all Y4 pupils & parents

- **Christmas dates** see overleaf – more added!
 - Enrolment for 2019: **Do you have a child starting in September 2019?** Please leave your child's details in the office. Our **Open Day is Tues 4th Dec** with 2 sessions: 9.30-11am & 1.30-2.30pm. Spread the word!
 - **Term 1 Afterschools** is now over for all clubs (except Art on Mon & Gaelic on Fri). ON your behalf I would like to thank the staff for providing these for our pupils. There was lots of positive feedback from all clubs and it has been great to see the children so enthusiastic about continuing to learn after 3pm.
 - **JUMPERS:** We have had quite a few jumpers going missing, particularly after PE. Sometimes the wrong jumper goes home. Teachers will check that everyone leaves with a jumper. If an extra one or the wrong one does arrive home, please send it in again *the next day*. Thanks to anyone who has done this.
 - I received a lovely **email from Fr. Bineesh Poonoly**, Vicar in St. Sebastian's Church, posted on the Parent Information Board. The parish are just delighted with the donation of £700 they have received.
 - Treat Thursday is going great. Just a reminder – please do not send in treats containing nuts or any hard sweets (including lollipops). As well as being very sugary, there is a risk of choking.
- Lots of information overleaf – please take time to read. Many thanks for your support.

Mrs Deirdre Graffin

Principal

Friends of New Row: 2019 Calendar now available to order!

Our calendars this year are going to be even more special, including a **whole school photograph** and **individual class photos** and group shots of some classes together. We can't wait for you all to see them! Once again these are an ideal present for loved ones - family, friends and anyone with a connection to New Row. EVERY PUPIL OF NEW ROW PS is in the calendar. There are a limited number of calendars available to pre-order. £6 each & 3 for £15 WHAT TO DO: Simply pre-order using the slip overleaf! All orders must be returned in a sealed envelope including the correct amount. Return to school office. The orders will then be processed by Friends of New Row. Don't miss out – order today!

December events in New Row

Tues 4 th Dec	Open Day: 9.30-11am & 1.30-2.30pm
Fri 7 th Dec	Monthly Mass 9.45am
Sun 9 th Dec	Carol Service 5pm (All Y3-7 attend)
Mon 19 th Dec	Kiddies Castle Christmas Visit (pm)
Wed 12 th Dec	Christmas dinner & Xmas jumper Day
Thur 13 th Dec	Kiddies Castle Christmas Visit (am)
Fri 14 th Dec	Christmas in New Row 9.30am Y3 nativity play, Y1 & 2 festive songs & Christmas Musicians Parents & family welcome. Y7 singing in Meadowlane 1.15pm
Mon 17 th Dec	Parent & Toddler Xmas party!
Tues 18 th Dec	Staff Dinner: School Closes 1pm
Thurs 20 th Dec	Christmas Fun Day & Disco– non uniform. Last full day of school.
Fri 23 rd Dec	Term 1 officially ends at 11am

More dates/events to be added when confirmed

Knitted Goods for Sale

The Holy Family Order have prepared knitted goods and other items and asked that we sell them for their order in Sri Lanka. The items are really beautiful and reasonably priced. Prices include:
Pack of Blank cards: £1.50, Knitted cot cover: £8, Granny Blankets £10.
Other items include children's jumpers and cardigans
Items are displayed in the corridor outside Mrs Graffin's office. Available until end of week, so get them quickly! See Sharon re prices/to pay

Important message from our Eco Council



European Week of Waste Reduction

Mid Ulster District has launched a Recycling Hero campaign and we are getting involved. Their aim is to reduce the amount of batteries going to landfill. We would ask that you collect batteries and put them in the **battery recycling box** which will be located at the front of the school. We will be entered into a draw with a chance to win a fantastic 2 in 1 Eco Depo recycling bins for use inside our school.

Road of Hope

Shoebox Items Appeal

5 huge bin bags full of goods were delivered to Road of Hope at the weekend. Fiona was delighted as this is such a great way to support their work. Sometimes shoeboxes need topped up and other things added so our donations were extremely useful – and needed if the boxes are to be sent.



Every class is assigned online homework by accessing Education City via the Puffin Academy App.

If your child is having difficulty logging on to a game with a blue tablet icon beside it, then login to Education City through Google/safari and you should be able to play it. Otherwise they can be played on PC or laptop.

If your child is unable to complete this at home, we hope by giving pupils 1-2 weeks to complete the tasks, it allows parents to make other arrangements.

Speak directly to Mrs Graffin with any concerns or difficulties. Mrs Graffin will communicate directly with Education City about specific difficulties. Usage for all pupils and classes is monitored



Name (please print clearly)		Contact Number	
£6 each or £15 for 3. Please include the correct amount in a sealed envelope clearly marked 'Calendar Order'. Cheques should be made payable to 'Friends of New Row'. Return before Fri 8 Dec.			
Quantity ordered		Total £ enclosed	

Many thanks for your support. Calendars will be distributed as soon as they are available. Updates via text.