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Week beginning Monday 15th October 2018

| Mon 22 nd Oct | Parent &Toddler Group |
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| | Y5 & 7 Gaelic football |
| | • AS: Art & Craft 3-4pm Y5 & 6 Week 3 of 6 |
| | Irish dancing 6pm |
| Tues 23 rd Oct | Assembly & Awards |
| | • AS: Junior Gymnastics 2-3pm Y2, Gymnastics 3-4pm Y3 (with Anna Devlin) Wk 4 of 6 |
| Wed 24 th Oct | 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 4 of 6 |
| Thur 25 th Oct | SCOR music & quiz competition -more info later |
| | Y4 Fit for life £2.50 for bus – wear PE gear & bottoms and school jumper |
| | 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 4 of 6 |
| | AS: ICT iPad club 3-4pm Mrs Scullion & Miss Dillon Y6&7 Week 4 of 6 |
| Fri 26 th Oct | Ditch the Dark Day! see overleaf £2 per pupil £5 per family |
| | Flute/Clarinet lessons |
| | Credit Union Collection |
| | School closes at 1pm for all pupils for mid-term break |
| | AS: Gaelic Football with Derry GAA Coach (Week 2 of 6) |
| Mon 29 th Oct – Fri 2 nd Nov school closed (Mid Term Break) | |
| Sun 4 th Nov | Bridge Mass 1: 9am St Patrick's Church. All making 1st communion & parents attend |
| Mon 5 th Nov | Staff development day – school closed for pupils |
| Fri 9 th Nov | • Y5 Assembly 9.30am – all parents/family/friends of Y5 welcome. Over by 10am |
| | Walk to school morning with Castledawson PS – more info to follow |
| Tues 6 th Nov | School begins again for all pupils – normal school day |
| Sun 9 th Dec | Carol Service in St Patrick's Church |

Dates for your diary:

Confirmation (Bellaghy Parish) Sat 9th Feb 12 noon (Magherafelt Parish): date to be confirmed by diocese First Communion: Sat 18th May 2018 at 11am, St. Patrick's Church Castledawson

- Lots of important information overleaf.
- What a great Celebration Day we had! Read more overleaf
- Thanks to everyone who returned the 'healthy break treat day' reply slip. Following consultation, there was overwhelming support for implementing this. Treat day will be Thursday. On that day, children can bring a small treat to take at break time (not lunch). This should be a small bar (e.g. kit kat) or regular packet of crisps (no big tubes of pringles!) and will be eaten along with canteen break as an extra, rather than substitution. These treats should not be brought into school on any other day. Until then, please remember that crisps, chocolate, treat bars and fizzy drinks should not be part of any break or lunch! Many thanks for your support.

Mrs Deirdre Graffin

Principal



Ditch the Dark Day How bright can I be?

In conjunction with our Active Travel

partners **Sustrans**, on **Friday 26**th **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)



What a fantastic success! Many thanks to everyone who came along. The children were amazing. We have heard so many lovely comments about how special the mass was, with lots of family participation and great support from all the clergy linked to New Row. The school also looked fabulous, with much effort from staff and pupils in preparing every classroom to assist with the trip down memory lane. Thanks to Marie & Jacqueline in the kitchen for the refreshments and the support from Friends of New Row for their assistance on the morning. Also thanks to all the families who donated buns and sweet things in such huge numbers. We thought we would never need it all – but only a box of biscuits left, which is testament to how well the event was supported back at school. Madeline took some lovely photos too which we will share very soon. WE ALL should feel very proud of our children and our great wee school! DEFINITELY #bestschool ©



Last year we were unable to complete the shoebox appeal due to the building work restrictions. We supplied individual items and Fiona

Road of Hope 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.

| All Classes: | | |
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| 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 | |
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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. 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 info