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Week beginning Monday 25th March 2019

LAST WEEK'S CLASS OF THE WEEK: Junior Y3, Senior Y5 & Y6 (tie)

Mon 25 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Active Travel Fortnight begins! Try to get as many active trips to school! Y4 Fit for Life. £2.50 – wear something warm! Y7 swimming – as usual. £2.50 for bus. AS: Y3&4 Coding (KMcN in Y2) and Y5&6 Maths Detectives (week 5/6)
Tues 26 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly & awards including presentation by Girl Guides Y7 Shared Education in NRPS 9.45-12 noon Y5 & 6 PE (pm)
Wed 27 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PE for Y1-3 with teachers Y5 Speedwell afterschool in NRPS AS: Y6&7 Cookery (CW) in Y7 (LAST WEEK)
Thur 28 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treat day Hive Hackers Awards Ceremony in Waterfront Hall, Belfast <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y6 only, leaving 8am <u>sharp</u>. Remember packed lunch. Y7 Fun in athletics 12.30-2.30 (Meadowbank) Early lunch Fresh little minds afterschool (Y4/5) Week 3 of 6. See more info overleaf.
Fri 29 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y6 assembly at 9.30am. Everyone welcome – over by 10am Action Cancer workshops for Y4 & 5 Soccer Blitz with Castledawson PS (Selection of Y2-7 pupils). See overleaf for info.
Mon 1 st April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y7 St Mary's GS Debating event (am) & swimming as usual in pm Y6 parent transfer meetings Last day of afterschools Coding & Maths Detectives on Mondays
Tues 2 nd April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y6 parent transfer meetings
Wed 3 rd April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y5 Speedwell afterschool in NRPS
Fri 5 th April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walking bus Monthly mass @ 9.45am led by Y3 & 7. Mrs Murphy's joining us! Everyone welcome.
Fri 12 th April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y3 assembly at 9.30am
NEW	Wed 17th April: Y7 Service of Light in Magherafelt at 7pm

- **Miss Bateson** (St Mary's College) finishes her placement this week as she will undertake a week of experience in an Irish-medium school. thanks for all your help & enthusiasm! Good luck for the future!
 - **Well done Y4 on a beautiful First confession** last week. Super preparation by Mrs Gunning & staff and a lovely ceremony led by Fr Branigan. Thanks for all the family support. Next stop, 1st Communion!
 - **Odd socks day:** Super support for World Down Syndrome Day! Thanks to everyone at home, too.
 - **Hive hackers.** This 7 week programme has flown! Thanks to PWC for their support of this. Looking forward to the celebration event on Thursday. Y6 leaving at 8am – don't be late as the bus can't wait!
 - **Some Afterschools Clubs are now finished.** Thanks to Molly for the singing club, Mr Hasson for Y3 & 4 Gaelic football and Stephen McElhatton (MU Council) for games. Super opportunities for our pupils!
 - **Y6 parent transfer meetings** are scheduled for next Monday & Tuesday. These are intended to help understand the process, and the role of both parents and school in preparations. A blue letter was sent home to all Y6 parents last week. Please contact the office to arrange a time.
 - **Lent '19:** Please continue to collect coppers for our chosen charity supporting work in Sri Lanka.
- Many thanks for your continued support

New Walkway to Chapel Carpark is not yet open

Please do not use this/allow children to use this to access the school as it does not meet all health and safety regulations and therefore is not covered by insurance. We will notify users when this is in place.

Lane/level access update. To allow for work to progress, for a short time there continues to be no front gate access. Please act responsibly when dropping off/picking up. ***The end of the lane is very dangerous!***
The safety of our pupils – your children – is paramount.

We appreciate your patience as we work to get a safe solution for all site users.

Shared Education Soccer Blitz 2019

We are delighted to be able to arrange an afternoon of soccer this Friday. Miss Walls (Shared Education coordinator) assisted by Mr Hasson (PE coordinator) are taking 7 teams of boys and girls from Y2-7 to Moyola Park to enjoy games. This requires a high degree of organisation if we are to involve a good number of pupils although it will not be possible to bring everyone. Consent forms will be circulated later this week.

Lenten Outreach: Parish of Bellaghy & Ballyscullion

Y7 (Bellaghy Parish) have been invited to take part in the Lenten Focus on Friday 5th April. There will be a service beginning at 7.30pm, with Fr Ray Kelly (the singing priest from Britain's Got Talent) as the guest speaker. The children are asked to arrive at 7.20pm and bring a piece of work with them to be sent home before then. This is a lovely idea and thanks the Pastoral Council for offering this opportunity.

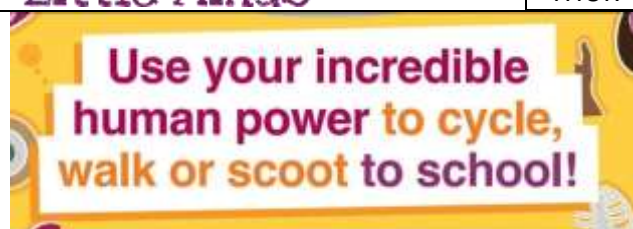


Fresh Little Minds. This is proving to be a very popular and well-received afterschool club. Some of the dates are different than the letter circulated by Fresh Little Minds. *Please wait until children are brought out to the foyer to parents/carers* rather than entering the back of the hall to collect the children early as this disrupts their final relaxation session.

Session 4:
THUR 4th April

Session 5:
MON 8th April

Session 6:
THUR 11th April



ACTIVE TRAVEL FORTNIGHT BEGINS TODAY!

Let's see how many active journeys we can make! From tomorrow, our Eco Council will be visiting all rooms to count how many children walked, biked or scooted to school. Remember that all children on bikes or scooters should be wearing helmets. A bike rack is available

outside the main entrance, towards Y3 windows. Remember to be very careful on the lane – walk bikes, trikes and scooters up and down.

Spring Update: The school are getting good use out of the projector and sound system we funded in Term 1. A school priority continues to be to keep updating reading books. An order for £600 has just been placed to supplement reading in Foundation Stage. Another priority is to continue the replacement of interactive boards in the classrooms. Y4 & 5 have the latest Promethean Panels, supplied as part of the refurbishment work. Our work will enable the replacement of the other older boards so eventually all rooms will have the most up to date technology – and all pupils in the rooms benefitting.



Easter Raffle: We are currently organising our annual Easter Raffle and will be approaching local small businesses to donate prizes. Tickets will be circulated later this week or early next week. Once again there will be prizes for ticket sellers, too – so everyone has a chance to win! £1 each or 6 for £5



THANKS TO OUR TICKET SPONSOR! Meadowlane Shopping Centre, whose logo will appear on every ticket. What a great way to recognise their support for a local school!

Friends of New Row AGM: Advanced notice that the AGM will take place at the start of Term 3. We are always looking for new members! A date for the AGM to follow.