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Parent Information: Monday 13th January 2020

Online Safety Week 3

Mon 13 th Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent & Toddlers starts again 9.15-11am. Everyone welcome – spread the word! • Y7 swimming. Gears, goggles, towel & £1 for locker. Parentpay £2.50 pw, £25 for term • Y5 & 6 PE (pm) with teachers & Daire Murray (Derry GAA)
Tues 14 th Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assembly & Awards from home
Wed 15 th Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A/school registration from 8.15 am online. • Y1-3 PE • Violin lessons
Thur 16 th Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treat Thursday! Bring a small bar/packet of crisps to eat along with your break • New interactive panels installed in Y6 & 7 – Thank you, Friends of New Row! • 10am: Sperrin College to see Y7 • Y4 Fit for Life • Y7 Prayer service (Bellaghy Parish – in school with classmates). • Afterschools online registration via ParentPay from 8am (menu circulated Tuesday)
Fri 17 th Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assembly & Awards • Digital Leaders in-class support (Y5 & 7) • Y6 & 7: Gaelic Football (pm)
Sat 25 th Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GL results (Y7 pupils)
Thur 30 th Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration for Y1 Sept 2020 CLOSES online at www.eani.org.uk
Sun 2 nd Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bridge Mass 3 followed by Annual FoNR Coffee Morning in school hall.

Important dates for P6&7 pupils & their parents: Open Days for Post Primary Schools

St Patrick's College	Tues 14 th & Wed 15 th Jan from 16:30 – 18:30 in St Mary's Building. Also Saturday 18 th January 2020 at 10:00 in St Patrick's Building
Rainey Endowed School	Thur 16 th Jan at 7pm (For pupils from NRPS)
St Mary's GS Magherafelt	Tuesday 21 st & Wednesday 22 nd January 2020 at 7pm

- **Office news:** Unfortunately, Sharon has broken her wrist and is off. We will miss her! Thankfully, there are systems in place to follow. Lauren Hurl will provide part-time help until Sharon returns.
- **Milk Money:** £4 pm via ParentPay. Please inform the office asap if your child no longer wishes to take milk.
- **Break Money** is now due for January: £5.50 per month or £33 for the rest of the year.
- **Y7 (Bellaghy parish).** Fr Dolan has organised a Prayer Service this week in all parish primary schools in preparation for Confirmation . Urgent: *Please send in a baptismal candle for your child tomorrow.*
- **Afterschool Clubs are back!** From Monday 20th January we begin our latest round of clubs. These will run for 6 weeks and we hope there will be something for everyone! This is only possible through the commitment and willingness of staff. Finalised options will be sent out today/tomorrow.
- **Staff development:** Our staff day was very successful, with updates in Literacy, Numeracy, ICT, SEN, Shared Education & Topic Work. The annual Child Protection & Safeguarding audit was also completed this week.
- **FoNR** will meet on Mon 20th Jan to plan for their annual Coffee Morning. *Save the date: Sun 2nd Feb.*
- **PE:** arrangements for Y6 & 7 have been revised. See overleaf for more info and reminders for other classes. We are delighted that Paul Brewster, parent & former Fermanagh county player, will work with staff on Friday afternoon to help prepare girls' and boys' gaelic football teams.
- **Uniform:** see overleaf for a timely reminder and update

Many thanks for your continued support

Deirdre Graffin
Mrs Deirdre Graffin

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Principal

Is your child starting school in Sept 2020? Online applications open Tues 7th Jan 2020

If you were unable to attend our open day, you are very welcome to arrange a time for a tour and chat with the principal. The closing date and time for primary one applications is 12.00 noon on Thursday 30th January 2020. *If you need any advice or have any queries, please contact the school asap.*

1. Read the admissions criteria
2. Apply online <https://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions>
3. Bring documents to your 1st choice school before Fri 7th Feb

We are in the process of reintroducing Education City as an online home/school resource for all children. Over the coming weeks, your child may receive login information. More info will follow on downloading Puffin Academy App to allow children to access Education City on tablets or similar devices.

ParentPay Reminders: Children must be booked for dinners before 9.30am otherwise we will assume your child is taking lunch.

Problems booking in don't seem to be anything to do with payment but that the day is not selected. To do this, scroll on down and then across to pick the day. Otherwise, the money is there but not allocated. This is the same for Breakfast & Afterschool Club (2-3pm) & Homework Club (3-4pm). This takes time for school staff to check in class and office staff to manually add in extras. Your support is appreciated.

PE Arrangements: Term 2

Class(es)	Day	Activity	Uniform
Y1	Wednesday (am)	PE in hall	Do not change for PE
Y2	Wednesday (am)	PE in hall	Wear PE gear in to school; change back in to uniform after PE lesson. Parents make sure uniform is sent into school in a labelled bag and items labelled also.
Y3	Wednesday (am)	PE in hall	Bring PE gear in to school in a labelled bag and items labelled also. Change after PE before going home.
Y4	Thursday (am) Fortnightly	Fit for Life (Meadowbank)	Change in school. Hoodie, T-shirt & track bottoms (sessions in Meadowbank – wrap up warm!). Parentpay £2.50 or £12.50 for 5 sessions
Y5 & 6	Monday (pm)	PE in school	Change in school. T-shirt & track bottoms (outside sessions). Pupils change after PE before going home.
Y7	Monday (pm)	Swimming	Bring gear, goggles, and bag. £2.50 pw payable online (or £25 for all lessons) & £1 (returnable) for lockers
Y6 & 7	Fri (pm)	Gaelic Football	Change in school. T-shirt & track bottoms (outside sessions). Pupils change after PE before going home.

Children Y4-7 are expected to wear the PE uniform, with track bottoms if outside. Y1 do not need a PE uniform. Y2 & 3 may purchase if they wish. Top & shorts: £14.50, navy socks £4. Available from Sportique.

Uniform reminder

Often at this time of the year, children need uniform items replaced (shoes, track bottoms etc). We would remind all parents (and children) that our uniform is black/navy shoes/trainers. Coloured trainers are to be kept for PE lessons. Track bottoms should be plain without any writing or logos. Girls often prefer to wear tights and skirts.

Jumpers. Please check that your child's name is still clearly visible on their jumper. We expect all children to wear their jumper/cardigan home as if they are wearing it, there is no chance they will leave it in school or mix it up with someone else! Jumpers with no names are kept at the back of the hall. Also as our school is well-heated, it is not necessary for your child to wear a 'skin' or undertop as they overheat in class and cannot easily take it off.

P7 PE uniform (when attending sports events outside school): PE t-shirt, shorts and plain navy bottoms. Y7 are out and about a lot during Term 2 & 3. We have new track tops for them to wear over their PE uniform for such events. However, it is important that they all have a PE t-shirt, shorts and plain navy bottoms. They will wear this a lot before the end of June (probably more than they have in Y5 & 6 altogether!), so even if your child has grown out of their old one, it is worth replacing.