



School News

BPS Biz & Reminders

Welcome back to Term 3!

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

As promised the EA have landscaped the front entrance to school and kindly provided new benches and planters as well. I hope you like the new look.

N.I. HOCKEY FINALS

Well done to our Boys Hockey Team who took part in the NI Hockey Finals at Stormont. They won 3, drew 3 and lost 2. We are hugely proud of their achievement!

MUSIC AWARDS

More congratulations to Benjamin, Toby & Caleb in P6 who all performed superbly at the Portadown Music Festival.

ENVIRONMENTAL YOUTH SPEAK

Another well done to Tyler (P7) for representing our school at the Newry, Mourne & Down Borough Council Environmental Youth Speech Competition. The topic was 'A Day in the Life of an Eco-Warrior'.

IFA FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Our school, again, showed our footballing strength in depth with both our boys and girls teams achieving success in Downpatrick. The boys didn't lose a match all day winning the final in style and the girls battled to a 2-2 draw with Spa PS in their final after extra time. Special mention to Jamie (P4) who scored 2 goals in the final!

SCHOLASTIC BOOKS

We received word last week that we had been chosen as one of 100 schools to win £250 in James Patterson books for our library and another 25% in books from Scholastic! Great news for our pupils!!

SPELLING BEE

Congratulations to Arabella (P7) who is not only a superb dancer (she was recently competing in England!) but our best school speller as she took part in the Eason Spelling Bee in Newry on behalf of the school.

SUMMER UNIFORM

Now we are into Term 3 all pupils may wear their Summer Uniform, if they so wish. Could I also remind pupils that trainers are only to be worn for PE or to be changed into at break / lunch time at all other times black school shoes are to be worn. Thank you.

Please remember that pupils should not be on school grounds before 8.45am, unless they are attending Breakfast Club, as there is no supervision in the playgrounds before this time.

Nursery News!

Our theme is "The Sea"

The children will learn the names of some sea creatures – crab, star fish, sea horse, stingray, squid, jellyfish, seal as well as some well known fish such as cod, haddock, trout, salmon etc. They will have opportunities to talk about the sea and share what they know.

The children will be introduced to a new big book called "Rainbow Fish" and become familiar with the story which is a lovely one. This will be our book of the month. The children will have opportunities to paint some sea creatures for display in the Nursery Classroom.

Reminders:

- NURSERY FUND - £24 for the term.
- HOLIDAY on Monday 4th, Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th May.
- SPONSORED WALK in Montalto on Tuesday 5th May.
- EDUCATIONAL VISIT to Streamvale Farm on Friday 19th June. Details to follow.

More details included in the full Nursery News

Spelling Bee Competition & Environmental Youth Speak Competitors



Calendar Dates

MAY

- 2nd – P7 Shared Ed.
- 3rd – Girls Night In – 6.30pm
- 6th – Bank Holiday – School Closed
- 9th – Nursery & P1 Admissions letters Posted
- 10th – Boys Night Out – 6.30pm
- 16 – 17th – Hockey Tournament, Saintfield Hockey Club
- 21st – Montalto Sponsored Walk
- 24th – School Development Day
- 27th – Bank Holiday
- 28 – 31st – P6/7 Trip to York

JUNE

- 1st – P7 placement letters issued
- 5th – P7 Leavers' Photos
PI Induction Meeting
- 6th – P7 Love for Life lessons
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- 11th – Football Tournament – Dromara
- 12th – Netball Tournament – Dromara
- 13th – Board of Governors Meeting – 6.30pm
- 18th – Sports Day
- 24th – Reports issued
- 26th – P7 Leavers' Service – 10.00am
- 28th – End of Term – 12.00pm / 12.15pm finish

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Our last 3 events of the year are rapidly approaching and they are absolute crackers!! Our Girls Night In, our Boys Night Out & our Montalto Estate Sponsored Walk. All details will come home from school.

Keep sending in those pennies as well because the end of the year prize is still up for grabs – who wouldn't want a week off homework in June!!

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Check out these worker bees!

Portadown Music Festival



P3 Space Cadets!



TAMHI sessions for P5, P6 & P7!

