

MAY/JUNE 2019 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent

It is with a feeling of disbelief that I sit and pen the last newsletter of the 2018/19 academic year. With a late Easter, ongoing Elections and no resolution to the Brexit crisis it seems to be whizzing by at an exceedingly rapid speed. The school will now be closed on Thursday 23rd May 2019 to accommodate voting for the European Elections. The development day on Tuesday 28th May 2019 has been rescheduled to Friday 24th May 2019. This means school will now be closed Thursday 23rd, Friday 24th and Monday 27th May 2019.

A kind thank you to everyone in our community who supported our Easter basket raffle. We raised a staggering £1,404.90. The Schools Council Break the Rules Day proved very popular with both our pupils and staff and raised £515.

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Hilley on the birth of their baby boy. Mrs Hilley's maternity is being covered by Mrs Baird and I would like to take this opportunity to welcome her to the team at Edwards. I would also like to welcome Lydia Laverty as our student on teaching practice in Year 4.

Dates for the diary are as follows:

Thursday 16th May

Friday 17th May

Wednesday 22nd May

Thursday 23rd May

Friday 24th May

Monday 27th May

Tuesday 28th May

Wednesday 29th May

Thursday 30th May

Friday 31st May

Monday 3rd June

Tuesday 4th June

Wednesday 5th June

Tuesday 11th June

Thursday 13th June

Friday 14th June

Tuesday 18th June

Wednesday 19th June

Thursday 20th June

Friday 21st June

Tuesday 25th June

Thursday 27th June

Friday 28th June

Monday 2nd September

NAHT Conference Ms Robinson

Year 5 Trip to City Walls and Museum in Londonderry

Nursery Graduation photographs

Year 1 Trip to Tropical World @ Alcorns

Year 2 Trip to Mellon Fun Farm

Kidz Play Information morning

SCHOOL CLOSED - EUROPEAN ELECTIONS

SCHOOL CLOSED - DEVELOPMENT DAY

SCHOOL CLOSED - BANK HOLIDAY

SCHOOL REOPENS

School Nurse Year 1

Year 7 Trip to We Are Vertigo

School Nurse Year 1

Year 3 Trip to Lurgybrack Fun Farm

School Nurse Year 1

Year 7 Shared Education Wild About Water

Nursery New Parents Induction 2.30 pm

Sports Day 9.30 am (weather permitting)

Year 1 Parent Induction 1.30 pm

Annual Bazaar 7 pm

Year 4 Trip to Marble Arch Caves

Nursery Graduation 10am

Year 6 Trip to Windsor Park

Year 6 Big School Day at Castledearg High School

Assessment Day

Year 7 Leavers Assembly 1.30 pm

Whole School Prize Giving

Reports to Parents

Year 7 Trip to Brunswick Moviebowl

SCHOOL CLOSES 12 NOON

Autumn Term Commences

The annual Summer Bazaar will take place on Thursday 13th June commencing at 7 pm. The theme this year will be "The Circus". The fancy dress will be circus acts e.g. clowns, acrobats, trapeze artists, jugglers, ringleaders, magicians, dancers, ventriloquists. This is our main fundraiser and you can support the event by donating items for our stalls and giving of your time to staff our stalls on the evening of the Bazaar.

Congratulations to our Year 7 K-Nex team, Nicole, Jill, James and Erin who have reached the K-Nex Challenge final in Belfast on Monday 24th June 2019. We are so proud of them and wish them every success.

There are twenty-six pupils leaving Edwards this year and on behalf of all the staff and Governors I would like to take this opportunity to wish them every success for the future. I trust that in addition to reading, writing and arithmetic our highly skilled teachers and assistants at Edwards have gone beyond the pages of textbooks to prepare our pupils for their journey of life developing determination, aspiration, resilience, perseverance, tolerance along with compassion and empathy.

On behalf of the school community may I wish you and your families a relaxed, happy and safe summer vacation and thank you for all your dedication to education and support with school life throughout the 2018/19 academic year.

In appreciation and with kindest regards.

E C Robinson