



School News

BPS Biz & Reminders

I'm sure, like us, you are thankful this January has not been as chilly as last year and we have only had a few days of cold and ice. I will always keep you informed of the conditions around school to ensure everyone's safety.

AQE RESULTS

A HUGE 'Well Done!' to those P7 pupils (and the teachers!) that received their AQE results last week. As usual our results were exceptional and each child performed superbly!! We are so proud of you!

THANK YOU

On behalf of myself, as well as the teaching and non-teaching staff, I would like to thank all children and parents for their very generous cards and gifts. As always, we were bowled over by your thoughtfulness and kindness.

NEW FURNITURE

Many thanks to the PTA who generously purchased new beanbags for our Quiet Reading Room. Mrs Gibson & Ms Eakin are very pleased!!

NATIVITIES & CAROL SERVICE

Thank you so much to all parents and grandparents who attended these events. It was lovely to see the whole school community coming together at such a special time of year. The retiring offering collected a magnificent £540 which is going towards classroom resources & the SIMON Community.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please make a note of the finishing dates & times for any clubs your children are going to to ensure all pupils are collected promptly.

SPORTING SUCCESSES

Well done to Benjamin from P7 who competed in the NI Primary Schools Cross Country Final at Mallusk & to our boys hockey team who again returned undefeated from Saintfield with (3 wins & a draw).

QUIZ MASTERS (NEARLY!)

Well done to both our teams at the Credit Union Quiz last week who represented the school and did not let us down, especially the 2008 team who finished 2nd by 1 point!!

HEALTHY BREAKS

Please remember that we are a Healthy Eating School and only send in a healthy option with your child for their break & packed lunch. Crisps, chocolate & fizzy drinks are not permitted and will be returned home. Thank you.

Nursery News!

As part of our topic next month we are doing people who help us. I would really appreciate it if any of you would be willing to come and talk to the children and bring along some equipment from your jobs. This is a great opportunity for children to understand how their community works and the different jobs that people have.

Reminders:

- **Nursery Fund for this term is £25. Please pay as soon as you can.**
- Please send in an extra pair of socks for your child to wear with their wellies when we are outside. Please also make sure they have hats, gloves and a scarf.
- Encourage your child to zip or button their own coat. This is a skill which needs to be learnt as soon as possible.
- Thank you to all those that attend our Getting Ready to Learn Sessions, we hope you found it useful!

More details included in the full Nursery News

CATCH HIM IF YOU CAN! Benjamin before the Cross Country Final.



Calendar Dates

FEBRUARY

3rd – P6 & P7 at Bible Exhibition

5th – P1 – Shared Ed. Winter Play

**6th – P7 – Under the Hawthorn Tree at
The Mac
P.T.A. – 6.15pm**

**7th – Time to Talk Day
Hockey Tournament – Saintfield
P7 – Environmental Workshop**

**10th – P6 & P7 at Fun in Athletics
Competition
P4 – P7 – Shared Education**

**11th – Internet Safety Day
PTA Event - Opt Out Day**

**12th – P3 – Shared Ed. – W5 Trip
P1 – Shared Ed. Winter Play**

13th – P6 – Library Visit

14th – All pupils home at 2.00pm

17th – 21st – HALF TERM

21st – SDD

**24th – School returns
P5 & P6 – Dairy Council visit**

Friends of Ballynahinch Primary School



Now we are into 2020 we have even more new activities for our children starting with our 'Opt Out Day' on Tuesday 11th February. Please come along to our first meeting of the term on Thursday 6th February at 6.15pm to hear more and maybe share some of your own!!

More details to follow...

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No January Blues here!!

Nurse Rebecca visited P2



Crafty children!



Shared Education – P6 Ice Breakers

