



"Memorable  
Learning"  
2020 -2021

# Ampertaine Primary School Newsletter



**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

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## Sun Cream, Hats, Shorts and Dresses

Great weather means it is time for pupils to wear their school shorts and summer dresses. This is highly suitable in the current climate. Parental judgment with regards to the weather on the day. Pupils should be coming to school with a Sun Hat and with Sun cream already applied. We are unable to apply Sun lotion to any of the pupils due to the current guidelines. We hope for this great spell of weather to continue with everyone able to have fun in the sun.



## School Photos

Everyone should have received a paper ordering sheet with information on how to order online. If you have not received your paper work please contact the school office between 9am and 2pm. Unfortunately, the school has no input or control with regards to the actual ordering. Any queries etc will be with Tempest.

## Leavers Hoodies

All leavers hoodies are ordered with the correct colours and sizes now locked in. We hope to have these for our P7 pupils shortly so they are able to wear them to school for the month of June. The children selected this year's colours through a democratic vote system.

## Friends of Ampertaine Northern Ireland Centennial Celebration Walk

Due to the current restrictions we are unable to have our summer fair again this year. This is a great disappointment for all. Instead we will be holding a sponsored walk on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June. Each class will participate in the walk followed by a special classroom party provided by our



super Friends of Ampertaine.

Our school grounds will be decorated approximately to mark the occasion.

We wish the children to wear clothing to match our colours for the day. Red, White and Blue. This can be one piece of clothing or one colour. Football related clothing is not to be worn.

Each family will receive a voluntary contribution sheet.

Here they will be able to donate to the school rather than collecting from others as in the past. Near the end of the day the children will have a very special surprise which the school through Mrs Phillips has been very fortunate to arrange for us.

All pupils will stay until the afternoon collection. Slot A 2:40pm Slot B 2:50pm and Slot C 3pm



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*Here's to the next 100...*

## **School Uniform / Belongings**

We as a school would like the children as best they can to wear the correct uniform if possible. The alternative as you are aware is to wear the school P.E uniform. The children are encouraged to wear a full P.E uniform on their P.E day.

We are fully aware of the difficulties parents are facing with regards to the purchasing of new uniform etc. Until shops etc reopen we are happy for the pupils to continue to wear a **PE Uniform (Trainers, dark (if possible) tracksuit bottoms/leggings and school polo shirt and Jumper) ONLY IF current clothing is not suitable.**

## **School Trips**

This week's school trips have been very successful. The children have really enjoyed their experiences and we are sure they had lots to talk about once they returned home. Please see our calendar below with all of the dates for June.

All trips have been risk assessed and the school has worked in partnership with outside agencies to ensure our pupils and staffs' safety is a priority.

Each class will remain in their class bubbles at all times and will only be interacting with each other. Room 1 will be having a special event in school only for them. Due to the ratio for supervision and abiding by the current guidelines we felt this was the best alternative at this time for this age group.

## **Sports Day 14<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> June Weather permitting**

We will be having a sports day this year although it will feel very different from our previous years. Pupils will be informed when to attend school wearing their P.E Kit for a week. During that week we hope the weather will allow us to hold our special day of sport. Due to health and safety we **MUST** have dry grass under foot to allow the children to race.

The current guidelines states "The DE C19 Guidance for schools (5th March) p.17 states: 'Spectators (i.e. Parents, siblings and carers) should be advised they must not attend school sporting or cultural events'".

The school **MUST** follow this guidance and will have no choice but to stop or cancel Sports Day if spectators do try to attend. Our goal is for the children to have a great sports day which they are then able to watch and share with their parents or relatives through our website. It is not a perfect solution but one which will work if **EVERYONE** sticks to the rules. You will receive further information closer to the time with regards to accessing photos and videos.

## **Drop off/Pick up Slots and Safety**

We would encourage to stick to your time slots. Especially those in Slot A in the morning. The traffic has built up during the week as more people attempt to come to school in Slot B and Slot C. At the present moment the same four cars are arriving beyond 9am.

To insure safety at all times we would remind parents that the front area is not supervised beyond 9am and parents running late **MUST** take their child to the front office supervised.

For the afternoon pick ups please remember the children will be out as soon as possible. Those who come too early may be asked to park until their child comes to the playground.

Please remember to drive with care as we are situated on a busy road with vehicles travelling in both directions and often pedestrians walking near the school as well.

## Calendar Dates

<b>June</b>	
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	P4 Day Trip
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	PSNI Safety Bus visit
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	B.O.G Meeting @ 6pm
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	New P1 Parents Induction Zoom
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> + Friday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	Leavers Trips - See class notes for information
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	Room 1 pupils to leave school at 1pm due to Induction meetings for new P1s
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> - Friday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	Children to wear P.E Kit this week to take part in Sports Day.
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	Friends of Ampertaine sponsored walk event + Special attraction. All pupils will leave in the afternoon slots. Slot A 2:40pm, Slot B 2:50pm and Slot C 3pm
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	Room 2 Day Trip
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	Room 1 Special Day
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	Last Day for Primary 7 pupils