

KNOCKMORE PRIMARY SCHOOL



November 2018

NUT ALLERGY/PINEAPPLE ALLERGY – IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please remember Knockmore Primary School is a Nut/Pineapple free zone.
Thank You.



Christmas Fair

We look forward to welcoming you to our Annual Christmas Fair on **Thursday 6th December** from 6 – 8 pm. We do hope you, your family and friends will attend. We will have lots of interesting stalls and Father Christmas will be in attendance. So if you want to get that Christmas gift that you might not find elsewhere, then this is your chance!



Year 1 (starting Sept 19) Open Afternoon

Prospective parents are invited to come along to our Open Afternoon on Tuesday 4th December from 1.00 – 4.00pm. If you know of anyone who has a child due to start Y1 in September 2019, please let them know about our Open Afternoon —thank you!

Children in Need



Let's make this the most Spotacular year yet! Our School is raising lots with the help of spots. On Friday 16th November pupils may wear clothes or items with spots. A donation of £1.00 would be gratefully received.

Christmas Dinner

Christmas Dinner will be served on Wednesday 5th December. Please inform your Child's teacher if you wish for your Child to have Christmas dinner.



Christmas Show

This year we will be holding an infant and a junior Christmas show on 12th and 13th December. Parents are most welcome to attend both performances.

Ditch the Dark

We will be holding a walking bus/Ditch the Dark day on Friday 23rd November. More information will follow in a separate note.

Healthy Break

Money for December's Healthy Break(£5) needs to be paid by Wednesday 28th November.

School Milk

School milk needs to be ordered by Wednesday 19th December for Term 2 – January, February, March and April. Cost is £14.70.



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School Clubs

Thank you to all parents who are using the slips to book clubs in advance. This greatly helps us in planning supervision and equipment. Please remember to send a slip on Thursdays showing which days you require along with money. Remember: **Clubs must be booked on a Thursday or first thing on the attending day – we cannot add children's names to a club during the school day.**



Admissions September 2019

The Education Authority(EA) plan to introduce new online applications for admissions for pre-school and primary school places for September 2019 intake.

A new portal for parents to apply online for a place has been created and it will include the listing of preferences of schools.

Parents will have the opportunity to amend their submitted application until the closing date. This replaces the current paper based application form.

For admission to the forthcoming academic year, parents will continue to provide their child's birth certificate and any other verifying documents stipulated in admission criteria directly to the first preference provider/school.

The Go Live date for the new digital admissions is Wednesday 2 January 2019 at 10.00am. The closing time and date for punctual applications will be 12.00 midnight on Thursday 31 January 2019.

The EA is planning to provide Assisted Digital Support for parents and users of the new system. This will be in the form of a new telephone service, enhanced website content and a number of face-to-face drop-in clinics held in EA offices and other locations during January 2019. Details of the planned digital assistance will be provided in due course.

School Website and Twitter

We encourage all parents to keep up-to-date with what is happening in school. Our school website is currently being updated, www.knockmoreps.co.uk, and includes general school information, class pages, a school calendar, a gallery and a noticeboard. School policies will also be available. **You can also follow us on Twitter for regular updates and reminders about all that is happening in Knockmore: @Knockmore_ps**

Parent Interviews

Parent interviews will be held week commencing 14th January 2019. Further information will follow.

Dates to Remember:

Wednesday 28 th November	-	School Nurse – Flu Vaccine
Tuesday 13 th November	-	School Photographer
Friday 23 rd November	-	Ditch the Dark Day
Tuesday 4 th December	-	Prospective Year 1 Open Afternoon, 1 – 4 pm
Wednesday 5 th December	-	Christmas Dinner (if it has been preordered)
Wednesday 19 th December	-	Milk Money paid by today
Friday 21 st December	-	School finishes at 12.00 pm
Monday 7 th January	-	School reopens