



## 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 Mr Douglas (School Governor) & McLaughlin & Harvey for their very kind donation of classroom furniture & computer chairs for our school. They look fantastic.

### 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 £281 which is going towards classroom resources.

### 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.

### LOWER CAR PARK

Could all parents & child minders please ensure they park considerately in our lower car park. Please do not park across the zebra crossing or on the hill at the entrance to the car park as this is dangerous for pupils and adults. Thank you.

### LATENESS / ABSENCES

We still have some pupils arriving late into school each day. Please remember the teaching day starts at 9.00am, pupils should be in school from 8.50am. Those arriving into class after this time disrupt the learning of others and find it more difficult to settle into the classroom routine.

### 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.

**\*More details included in the full Nursery News\***

**CLEAR!!!! P6 & P7 visited St. Patricks to take part in defibrillator training**



## Calendar Dates

### **FEBRUARY**

**1<sup>ST</sup> – P7 at Credit Union Quiz**

**4<sup>th</sup> – P6 & P7 at Fun in Athletics Competition**

**6<sup>th</sup> – P1 – Shared Ed. Trip to Linen Museum**

**7<sup>th</sup> – P6 Library Trip**

**8<sup>th</sup> – PTA Pub Quiz – 7.30pm**

**13<sup>th</sup> – P2 – Shared Ed. Winter Play Session**

**14<sup>th</sup> – P7 at The High School, Ballynahinch**

**15<sup>th</sup> – P5 & P6 – Dairy Council Visit  
All pupils home at 2.00pm**

**15<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> – HALF TERM**

**27<sup>th</sup> – P3 & P4 Shared Ed. Linen Centre visit;  
P5 – Shared Ed. Castle Ward trip;  
P1 – Shared Ed. Winter Play Session;**

**28<sup>th</sup> – P7 at The High School, Ballynahinch**

### **Friends of Ballynahinch Primary School**



Now we are into 2019 not only do we have even more new activities for our children but we also have some for the parents, starting with our Pub Quiz in the Primrose on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm. Tickets are selling fast and we have some amazing ballot prizes kindly donated by our local businesses!!

More details to follow...

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## **No January Blues here!!**

### **New Sports Kit – Sponsored by Spa4Schools**



### **Ninja Warrior Returns!!**



### **Shared Education – Joint School Council**

