



"Learning for Tomorrow"

# Ballymoney Model Controlled Integrated Primary School



March 2019

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**Please remember school is a nut (including horse chestnut) and egg free zone.**

**Slapped Cheek Syndrome - if your child is diagnosed with the slapped cheek syndrome please inform the school office immediately.**

<u>March Important Dates</u>	
Friday 1st March	Integrated Education Month — Odd Socks Day
Monday 4th March	Translink Travel Survey begins
Tuesday 5th March	Year 6 — Ulster Rugby Coaching
	PTA Meeting — 6.30pm
Wednesday 6th March	Ash Wednesday — Sacrament Group to visit Our Lady and St Patrick's Church
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day — please see separate letter
Tuesday 12th March	Mr McCullough's class — Poetry in Motion
	Year 6 — Ulster Rugby Coaching
Wednesday 13th March	Science Week begins
Thursday 14th March	School Council — Red Nose Day Celebrations
Tuesday 19th March	Football — Killowen Cup
Friday 22nd March	Shared Education — Year 4 — Day 1
Monday 25th March	Eco Schools Translink Challenge
	Sustrans Big Pedal Week
Thursday 28th March	Sacrament of Reconciliation

**We are a health promoting school.**

**Don't forget your healthy break and PE kit.**

**Fruit available for Year 3—7 pupils to purchase at 20p a piece.**

## Term 2 Important Dates

School Development Day — Friday 15th March (staff only no pupils)

School Holiday — Monday 18th March

Whole Staff First Aid Training — Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th March 1pm—4pm

Pupils finish at 12.30pm on both days



School ends at 12 noon on Wednesday 17th April 2019

Easter Holidays: Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 26th April 2019 (7 days)

## Morning Routines

All our children are well settled into school life and our morning routines. We would ask parents of our Year 3—7 children to develop their child's independence by encouraging them to walk into school each morning by themselves. Also with Year 3—7 pupils coming into school each morning by themselves it should enable a quicker turn around of available car parking spaces which will benefit all parents.

## Important

To aid the best possible teaching and learning for all children within our school we would ask parents to ensure that children arrive at school on time.

Also please ensure that your child brings a warm coat to school each day and that your child's name is clearly marked on all of their belongings and clothing.

## ALLERGIES

Many parents are now aware of the increasing number of children who suffer allergic reactions. A child with an allergy can be affected even if, for example, the product that they are allergic to is in someone else's lunchbox or on someone's hands following eating the product. We have a number of children with allergies in the school and therefore ask that everyone cooperates by not sending in the following products.

All nuts including horse chestnuts

Eggs - hard boiled and egg sandwiches

Any breaks or packed lunches brought into school must not contain the above products.

PLEASE NOTE: Many chocolate spreads DO contain nuts. Please check ingredients carefully.

Recyclable materials e.g. cardboard from products containing nuts must not be brought into school for junk art.

Unfortunately, due to issues arising from the labelling of products, birthday cakes must not be sent into school.



## ★ **School Uniform – Winter Uniform** ★

★ Wearing school uniform promotes a sense of belonging to the school and encourages pride in personal appearance. We are very proud of how smart our children look in their school uniform and thank our parents for their support in this area.

The February winners will be awarding the March Smart Uniform Certificates in our March Whole School Assembly.

### ★ Foundation Stage (Year 1 and Year 2)

- ★ Girls - grey pinafore/skirt Boys - grey trousers
- ★ White polo shirt or white shirt and tie
- ★ Navy V-neck sweatshirt / cardigan with badge

### ★ Key Stage 1 and 2 (Year 3 - 7)

- ★ Girls - grey pinafore/skirt Boys - grey trousers
- ★ White shirt and tie
- ★ Navy V-neck sweatshirt / cardigan with badge

★ Shoes should be of a comfortable design, low heeled, toe covered and all black in colour. Shoes if laced should have black laces.

★ No jewellery, except a watch, to be worn.

★ If earrings must be worn they should be studs. For safety reasons your child must be able to remove them for PE.

★ Please ensure that items of clothing are labelled. It is particularly important to label sweatshirts and school coats clearly.

★ PE

★ Year 1 - 4 pupils will only change their shoes when taking part in PE. Please ensure that long hair is tied back on PE days.

★ Year 5 - 7 pupils will change for PE and need the following:-

- ★ • Navy shorts
- ★ • White t-shirt
- ★ • Plimsolls
- ★ • Soft elastic/bobble to tie back long hair
- ★ • Girls must remember to bring socks if wearing tights.



Within school we regularly remind pupils if they are worried about anything they are to talk to an adult or one of these teachers.



Mrs Jamison  
Principal



Mrs Carson  
Acting Vice-Principal  
Year 1 Teacher  
Designated  
Teacher



Mr McCullough  
Acting Vice-Principal  
Year 6 Teacher  
Deputy  
Designated  
Teacher

**Healthy Breaks**

Following the guidance from the Department of Education we encourage children to have a healthy break. We have fresh, filtered water available for children to drink throughout the day. Pupils have a fifteen minute break mid-morning and the children are encouraged during this period to eat only fruit, yogurt, vegetable or bread based products and drink only milk or water. Year 4 -7 pupils can purchase fruit at a cost of 20p.

The School Council introduced a 'Friday Treat Day'. On a Friday, children can bring if they wish **one small treat** of their choice to school to enjoy at break time.



**March Meetings**

**Thursday 14th March**  
**Thursday 28th March**



**March Meetings**

**Thursday 7th March**  
**Thursday 21st March**

# Ballymoney Model CIPs Extra-Curricular Programme

## Term 2B

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday		Thursday		
Y1							
Y2		Multi Skills	Fun Explorers		Miniversity		
Y3		Multi Skills	Fun Explorers		Miniversity		
Y4				Fun Explorers		Movie Club	Miniversity
Y5							
Y6	Challenge Club						
Y7							

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March - Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2019 6 weeks							
Day	Club Name	Year	Facilitator/s	Location	Cost	Number of places	Additional Information
Monday	Challenge Club	Y6	Mr McCullough Miss Graham	Year 6 Classroom	-	-	3-3.45pm
Tuesday	Multi Skills	Y2	Ballymoney Sports Development	Assembly Hall	£12 / Free School Meals - £6	20	2-3pm
	Multi Skills	Y3-7				20	3-4pm
Wednesday	Fun Explorers	Y2-3	Nicola Spence	Staffroom	£24	12	2-3pm
	Fun Explorers	Y4-7				12	3-4pm
	Movie Club	Y4-7	Miss Walker	Miss Walker's classroom	-	20	3-3.45pm
Thursday	Miniversity	Y2-3	Miniversity Leaders	Computer Suite	£30	20	2-3pm
	Miniversity	Y4-7				25	3-4pm
	Fun Football	Y4 + Y5	Miss Hemphill	Hall/ Outside	-	20	3-3.45pm

NB

- All clubs will run for a 6-week block, commencing week of 4<sup>th</sup> March and finishing the week beginning the 8<sup>th</sup> April inclusive.
- To secure a place, please book through the Agora online booking system.
- Agora online booking opens at 12 noon on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February.