

November  
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### Important Dates:

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November - Odd Socks Day  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November P4 - P7 Ulster Orchestra Trip  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November P5 & P6 Shared Education Trip  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December - Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December FREE Breakfast Club (however there will be no sausages on Fridays).  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December - Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December Wear Christmas Jumper to School. The PTA Christmas  
**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December Breakfast with Santa - must be pre-booked.**  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December - Open Afternoon for P1's September 2023  
**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December P1 - P3 School Show**  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December School Closes at 11.30am for Christmas Break.  
School re-opens Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023.  
Confirmation: Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March at 11am in St Patrick's Church Dungiven  
First Holy Communion Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May 11am St Matthew's Drumsumn.

PTA Christmas Fundraiser.  
The PTA will again run the Christmas Hamper Draw. Tickets will be sent home soon.  
Sell what you can and return entries before Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December.  
The Draw will take place during the school shows on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December



## November

### **Anti-Bullying Week: Monday 14th to Friday 18th November**

Anti-Bullying Week, which is coordinated by the Northern Ireland Anti-Bullying Forum, takes place week from 14th to 18th November. The focus of Anti-Bullying Week 2022 is 'Reach Out'.

Whether it is verbal, physical, online or in-person, bullying can have a significant impact on a child's life well into adulthood.

By making small, simple changes, we can break this cycle and create a safe environment for everyone, where everyone is heard. Because together, we can end bullying.

**We're all a piece in the puzzle, and together, we're united against bullying.**



### Odd Socks Day - Monday 14th November

To highlight Anti-Bullying week, children are invited to wear odd socks to school on Monday 14th November. Odd Socks day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity to encourage children to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique! There is no pressure to wear the latest fashion or for parents to buy expensive costumes. All you have to do to take part is wear odd socks to school!

For more information and resources, visit <http://www.endbullying.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/>



## After School Clubs

### **Mondays**

#### **Multi Sport Club**

P1 - P3 2.15pm - 3.15pm

P4 - P7 3.15pm - 4.15 pm

#### **Stay & Play/Homework Club**

P1 - P7 Until 4.15pm

### **Tuesdays**

#### **Stay & Play/Homework Club**

P1 - P7 Until 4.15pm

### **Wednesdays**

#### **Traditional Music Club**

P4 - P7 3pm - 4pm

### **Thursdays**

#### **Dance Club**

P1 - P3 2.15pm - 3.15pm

P4 - P7 3.15pm - 4.15 pm

All children should be collected from the Front Door. Please ensure you collect your child promptly as the coaches need to leave promptly.

## Split the Pot

Thank you to everyone who has taken part in our monthly fundraiser, the next draw will take place on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November.

## Free School Meals

Applications for free school meals can be made online on the EA website at <https://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals-uniform-grants/apply-for-free-school-meals-uniform-grants>



## Parent Teacher Telephone Meetings

We realise how vital parent/teacher meetings are to each child's continued learning and improvement, and how important it is to maintain communication with parents.

Our P1 children have had their Parent Teacher meetings.

All other classes - P2, P3, P4, P5, P6 and P7 will be carried out in February.

If you have any concerns in the meantime, please contact the school and the class teacher will call you back.

## Absences

Please remember to keep school informed should your child be absent for any reason, including the need to self-isolate. Please also make us aware if your child develops COVID -19 symptoms.

Teachers will communicate homework etc via Seesaw.

## Nut Allergies

We must ask that you do not send nuts or nut products into school (either for healthy break or packed lunch). This includes peanut paste, nutella, all nuts and cooking oil containing peanut oil, as well as foods containing nuts such as cereals and muesli bars. This is particularly relevant now that children are eating lunches in their classrooms. Thank you for your co-operation.



## Staff Changes

We would like to wish Mrs Quigg all the best for her maternity leave.

We would also like to welcome Mrs McGuinness to the school staff.

## School Collection

Thank you to everyone for following our pickup rules. Our children's safety is our first and main priority.