



# KNOCKLOUGHRIM SCHOOL NEWS



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April  
2016

Welcome to this week's newsletter and our final newsletter For April! Since Easter this month has flown in and with May being broken up by the May Bank Holidays it seems like the whole term is fast disappearing. Please keep our children, school and events in your thoughts this week.

**Clubs:** After school clubs recommenced on Monday with a fantastic programme of events. A few clubs still have places so if anyone has missed the start of the clubs season you can still try and find places.

**Breakfast Club/Windmill Club:** Due to the generosity of Magherafelt Foodbank and JC Stewarts, Magherafelt. We have been able to offer our Breakfast Club free of all charge to parents. Due to the recent sale of JC Stewarts we currently will only be able to continue this until the end of June. We are desperately seeking a sponsor who would cover the bread and milk costs to allow us to continue to offer the service free of charge. If anyone has any contacts who you feel would be willing to help us then please contact us as soon as possible. Otherwise I want to give parents notice that this valuable service may have to be chargeable next academic year as it was previously. Due to increasing costs of staff National Insurance and pension contributions our After Schools Windmill Club costs will also be increasing next academic year as follows: One hour only £3. Longer than one hour and up to 6pm £9 per pupil.

**PTA:** Before Easter our PTA covered the costs of our children participating in an Easter Egg Hunt where the Easter bunny made a pre-Easter visit. We are very appreciative of the support of our PTA for all our children. Unfortunately the planned supermarket bag pack was unable to go ahead due to poor uptake of support. This was really disappointing as the PTA are meeting today to plan to bring our annual Duck Race forward to June so they can have a more family friendly evening. I would encourage you all to plan to support our PTA events as they are designed to support our children.

## Soccer Coaching in Upperlands:

On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May St. Lurachs Church in Maghera are having a soccer coaching event for 7 to 11 year olds in Festival Park Upperlands. Forms have been sent home today to P4 to P7 children. Consent forms need to be returned before the event.

### Dinner Menu Week 1 from Monday

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**First Week of May:** As we have stated in previous newsletters, school will be closed on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> May. School will be open on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May for a UNICEF Rights Respecting School focused day when children can plan to wear blue and bring in any coppers as part of a 'Day for Change' in aid of UNICEF. Dorinda has offered to do a special picnic lunch for our children so I hope we get the weather. On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May school will also be open as normal but we will have an Eco School/ICT focus to the class sessions and children can wear non uniform if they bring in donations in aid of Back of the Hill Youth Club's Cancer Research Appeal. On the Friday Dorinda has promised Fish & Chips for lunch.

**Congratulations Digital Leaders:** As a Digital School of Distinction I am pleased to say we have appointed our first batch of Digital Leaders for the remainder of this and next school year. They are:

**Year 4:** Ciara Houston & Ross Fullerton

**Year 5:** Lola Henderson & Jonathan Dawson

**Year 6:** Tyler Dunseath and Seth McKeown we also decided to appoint four pupils from **Year 7** for the remainder of this year:

Jamie Mawhinney, Alena McKeown, Aimee Clarke & Charlotte Porter. All of these pupils have shown knowledge in the use of ICT in school and in everyday life and they have also demonstrated patience and kindness in supporting their friends and dare I say it teachers with ICT tasks. Well done everyone !!!!

Windmill Club Extended Child Care For Week Commencing: Monday 25th April. - (Costs: Up to 1hr = £2.50 or Longer than 1 hr up to 6pm = £8)					
Names of Child/ren:	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
Days Required:	Monday <input type="checkbox"/>	Tuesday <input type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday <input type="checkbox"/>	Thursday <input type="checkbox"/>	Friday <input type="checkbox"/>
Pick Up Time:	_____pm.	_____pm.	_____pm.	_____pm.	_____pm.