

KNOCKLOUGHRIM 27th SCHOOL NEWS 2017

Welcome to this week's newsletter and our first newsletter for our final term. What a year we have had in Knockloughrim Primary School. We are already in our final term of the year and yet it feels like no time since we welcomed our wonderful PI's to our school. We have a really busy and exciting summer term planned for everyone and we hope and trust it goes as well as it possibly can. We would all appreciate it if you can keep our school and our activities in your thoughts and prayers this term so it can really be the best term of the year. Many thanks to all of you who sent me kind wishes while I was ill before Easter, they were very much appreciated. Tonsillitis continues to be spreading in our learning community so we wish everyone off and suffering from that or any illness well with their full and speedy recovery.



PTA Meeting: Our PTA are going 'quackers' over our annual Duck Race and plan to meet **tomorrow** Friday 28th April in school at 2pm to organize it and make it the annual success that it has been for the past six years. Everyone is encouraged to come along to the meeting in the staffroom to support them.

May Day Closure: Our school will be closed on Monday 1st & Tuesday 2nd May for May Day Holiday and Staff Development. We will see you all again on Wednesday.

P1 Children for September: Letters are going home today to inform parents if their child has received a place in our school for September. If children have big brothers or sisters already in the school then they will be going home with their big brother or sister.

After School Clubs: The Transfer Support Club has already started this week and our Football Club will be starting next week now on Wednesdays instead of our historical Fridays. All other clubs will be commencing on Monday 8th May for five weeks and a timetable is attached below. It is also available on our school website to download. A reply slip is also below and we would ask that it be returned next week so resources can be purchased and provisions made.

Year 6 Cycling Proficiency:

Cycling Proficiency for P6 is free of charge and a valuable life skill for all our children. It will commence on Friday 5th May and will take place in school time led by Mrs. Davison. Children ((need to bring their bikes and helmet to



the P6/7 classroom in the morning. Any parent of a child who does not have a bike or wishes to opt out should let the office know before Friday 5^{th} May.

Staff News: We are delighted to announce that over Easter Miss Naomi Millar our Learning Support Assistant, who joined our staff in January, got married and is now Mrs. Naomi Junkin. This week on Monday, Mr. Montgomery's wife gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, Darcy and mother and baby are home and doing well. Mrs. Diane Tate will be taking the P6/7 class until Tuesday 9th May when Mr. Montgomery will hopefully return from paternity leave. Mrs. Tate is no stranger to the class and has taught them several times already this school year. Finally on Tuesday evening our Board of Governors made Miss Gillian Millar, our P2/3 teacher, a permanent member of our staff. Miss Millar has been a valued member of our staff for the past five years. We wish all our staff well with each of these new chapters in their lives.



Knockloughrim PS Pupils to Meet Michael Morpurgo:

Before Easter we ran a competition to win family tickets to see world renowned author Michael Morpurgo, author of books and now films like War Horse, Kenzukies Kingdom and many other wonderful titles. Our children had to write a book review on one of Michael's books and we are delighted to announce that Chloe McLean P5 and Lola Henderson P6 both have won family tickets for the Helicon Theatre in Bellaghy.

2017–18 Holidays: The school calendar on our website has been updated for all known holidays and closures next school year. A full list will go home nearer the end of this term. Two further dates remain undecided and held in reserve.

Christmas 2017: You don't need me to tell you how amazing our children all are especially during their Christmas performances and pantomimes. That is why we have decided this year to make a CD telling the Christmas Story through song and to perform the CD as part of our Christmas Nativity in December in the Helicon Theatre in Bellaghy. To have the CD ready for the autumn term we will be rehearsing and recording the songs this term. We thought we would let you know now just so that you don't think we have all gone mad rehearsing Christmas songs in May. No doubt it will be fantastic!

Class Trip for Mrs Clarke's Class:

Consent forms will be sent today for Mrs. Clarke's Class to go next Thursday to Domino's Pizza, Magherafelt and followed by a walk around the shopping centre/town looking at shops to finish off their topic of *Down the Town*. Parents are asked to return forms as soon as possible.

Dinner Menu Week 4 from Monday http://www.knockloughrim.org or follow us on Twitter: @knockloughrim

Windmill Club	Windmill Club Extended Child Care For Week Commencing: Wednesday 3 rd May - (Costs: Up to 1hr = £3 or longer than 1 hr up to 6pm = £9)					
Names of Child/ren:	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	
Days Required:			Wednesday 🗖	Thursday 🗖	Friday 🗖	
Pick Up Time:			pm.	pm.	pm.	

CLUBS REPLY SLIP

Complete as many child slots as required for clubs starting on Monday 8th May and return to office with the required monies. Please cut off and keep the timetable below for future records:

1 My child	_(P_) will be attending the following clubs.			
(Mon)(Tues)	(Wed)(Thurs)			
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I enclose £_____ to cover the cost of clubs that require a contribution for the term (please refer to time-table). To ensure your child has a place, and that we have the correct amount of materials for each child, this <u>must</u> be returned and paid by Friday 5^{th} May. School bus available at 2.50pm only.

(Parent)

UBS F	KPS C	lubs	Term	3 🏅	
	P1/2	P3	P3	P4/5	
Day	2:00-2:50	2:00-2:50	2:50-3:45	2:50-3:45	2:50-3:45
Monday	SU*		Home	5	U*
Tuesday	Outside Play /Art Class		Fit Club		P6 & P7 Study Club
Wednesday	Computer Games		Home	Outdoor Games/ Movie Club	Football
Thursday	Gardening Club/Games	Class	Sko	olbo	P6 & P7 Study Club

ALL clubs cost £5 each for the full term, with the exception of clubs marked * as they are free.

Please send this money before 5th May to book your place. Please note that money paid is non-refundable as resources are purchased in advance.

Clubs will run from week beginning 8th May to week beginning 5th June 2017. Bible Club will run for the week beginning 12th June 2017.