



News Sheet – 2nd September 2013

Welcome Back

Welcome back to school for the 2013/2014 year. We trust that everyone had a pleasant and relaxing summer and enjoyed the good weather. A special welcome to all our new pupils – we hope that you settle into the school very quickly.

Nut Free School

A pupil attending Ballyoran Primary School suffers from a severe nut allergy. This pupil may suffer a severe reaction if she comes into contact with nuts of any type. Accordingly we ask that **no nuts or nut products, such as peanut butter sandwiches/nut bars etc are sent to school in your child's packed lunch.**

As a result of this I have decided to designate the Primary School a 'Nut Free Zone' with immediate effect. (Please note this does not affect the Nursery)

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation with this matter.

Mrs Winnie Beggs

Mrs Winnie Beggs, a former teacher at Ballyoran Primary School sadly died over the summer. Mrs Beggs taught at Ballyoran for her entire teaching career of 20 years, retiring in 1996. During her time at Ballyoran Primary School Mrs Beggs was not only an excellent teacher but as a member of the Senior Management Team had a vital role in decision making and supporting other staff. As a school, we offer our condolences to her husband and family.

New Staff

We welcome a number of new staff to Ballyoran this year and hope that they will settle in quickly.

- Mrs Wells – N2 Teacher – Mondays and Fridays
- Miss McGibbon – Yr 3 Teacher
- Mrs Daly – N2 SEN Classroom Assistant
- Mrs Bell – LSC Classroom Assistant

Personal Information Sheet and Consent Form

It is vital that we hold up-to-date information on every child in school. To ensure this, we update our records annually and ask that you complete the Personal Information Sheet and Consent Forms and return to school by

Monday 9th September 2013. If any of this information changes during the year, e.g. telephone numbers, address, medical details, it is **your responsibility** to inform the school.

Information Booklet

Every family will receive a copy of this today through the eldest pupil and we ask that you read this carefully as it contains very important information for this year.

Breakfast Club

Starts tomorrow, Tuesday 3rd September 2013 and is open to Year 1 – 7 pupils daily in the Dinner Hall from 8.15 – 8.45am. The cost is 50p per day. Permission Notes are going home today.

Homework Club

This starts on Monday 9th September 2013 from 3.00 – 4.00pm in Room 6 and is open to Year 4 – 7 pupils. Permission Notes will be sent home for this today.

ICT Suite

The ICT Suite will be open every day for Year 5 – 7 pupils from 3.00 – 4.00pm from Monday 9th September 2013. Pupils will be able to do their own work/research. Permission Notes for this will be sent home today.

Kids' Club

This Year Kids' Club will be open 4 days a week (Monday – Thursday) for Year 2 pupils, from 2.00 – 3.00pm. It starts on Monday 9th September 2013 and Permission Notes will be sent home this week. Unfortunately it is not possible to offer Kids' Club to Year 3 pupils this year.

Club Finishing Times

All After School Clubs/Activities will finish at 4.00pm this year to avoid confusion over pick-up times.

School Meals

Prices are unchanged from last year:

Nursery - £2.20 per day; £11.00 per week

Primary - £2.30 per day; £11.50 per week

We would encourage Dinner Money to be paid for the whole week on a Monday but we will also accept it being paid daily. Please put the money in a sealed envelope with the Child's Name, amount and what it is for written on it.

Milk

Pupils in Years 3 – 7 can receive milk every day at break in school. If you wish your child to receive this, please complete the reply slip sent home to day and return with the money by **Tuesday 10th September 2013**.

Medication

If your child requires any medication to be taken in school for any reason, a Consent Form must first be completed. These are available at the office or can be downloaded from the school website.

Snacks – Nursery and Foundation Stage

Nursery and Foundation Stage (Yrs 1 – 2) parents are asked to contribute £2 per week per child towards the daily snack.

Years 6 and 7 Residential

Year 6 and 7 pupils will get the opportunity to go to Shannaghmore from 7th – 9th May 2014 for 3 days. More information will be sent out to parents in due course.

School Closures – Advance Notice

School Closure dates have been published in the Parent Information Booklet. A reminder that the first one is **Friday 20th September 2013**.

Two other Staff Training dates have been set since the publication of this booklet. School will also be closed for pupils as follows:

Tuesday 27th May 2014

Wednesday 28th May 2014

School Website

Keep up-to-date with school news, information and events by logging on to www.ballyoranps.com. Watch this space as we will shortly be launching a newly revamped website.

Menu for September

(See back page)

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	Week commencing 02.09.13	Week commencing 09.09.13	Week commencing 16.09.13	Week commencing 23.09.13
Mon	Homemade Pizza or Tuna Wraps, Peas, Sweet Corn, Sauces, Chips or Baked Potatoes Rice Pudding and Peaches	Shepherds' Pie or Chicken Tagliatelle, Carrots, Broccoli, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy Ice Cream and Chocolate Sauce	Fish Fingers or Lasagne, Beans, Sweet Corn, Side Salad, Coleslaw, Mashed Potatoes Vanilla Sponge and Custard	Oven Baked Steak Burger or Spaghetti Bolognese, Turnip, Broccoli, Mashed Potatoes Rice Pudding and Oranges
Tues	Fish Fingers or Lasagne, Beans, Sweet Corn, Coleslaw, Salad, Mashed Potatoes Jelly and Fruit Salad	Oven Baked Sausages or Filled Chicken or Salad Baguettes, Side Salad, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Sweet Corn, Gravy Strawberry Cake and Custard	Homemade Pizza or Tuna Wraps, Peas, Sweet Corn, Sauces, Chips or Baked Potatoes Rice Krispie Bun and Custard	Fish Fingers or Chicken Pasta Bake, Beans, Sweet Corn, Coleslaw, Salad, Mashed Potatoes Chocolate Muffin and Pear Cake and Custard
Wed	Savoury Mince or Chicken Curry and Boiled Rice, Peas, Pasta or Mashed Potatoes, Naan Bread Biscuit, Fruit and Custard	Crumbed Fish or Spaghetti Bolognese, Beans, Sweet Corn, Salad, Chips or Potatoes Rice Pudding and Oranges	Roast Turkey or Macaroni Cheese, Turnip, Broccoli, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Jelly and White Sauce	Homemade Pizza or Chicken Wraps, Peas, Coleslaw, Salad, Chips or Mashed Potatoes Ice Cream and Chocolate Sauce
Thurs	Roast Pork with Stuffing or Vegetable Pasta Bake, Carrots, Broccoli, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Pineapple Sponge and Custard	Baked Gammon or Sweet and Sour Chicken and Boiled Rice, Cabbage, Turnip, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Biscuit and Fruit Salad	Shepherds' Pie or Vegetable Pasta Bake, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Peas, Gravy Ice Cream and Fruit and Wafer	Roast Turkey with Stuffing, Carrots and Parsnips, Broccoli, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy or Filled Ciabatta Rolls, Salad or Turkey, Side Salad, Coleslaw Jelly and Fruit Salad
Fri	Homemade Vegetable or Chicken Soup Hot Dog, Sauces, Filled Rolls, Chicken/Salad Frozen Mousse or Raisin Cookies	Chicken Pie with Crumble Top or Bacon and Cheese Pasta Bake, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Peas, Gravy Jelly and White Sauce	School Closure – Staff Development Day	Bacon and Stuffing or Chicken Curry and Boiled Rice, Mixed Vegetables, Broccoli, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Flakemeal Biscuit, Fruit and Custard

Milk, Water, Bread, Fruit and Yogurt available daily

Menu subject to deliveries