



## News Sheet – End of Term

### End of Term Arrangements

School finishes early on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016 for the summer holidays. Please note that this will be a Non-Uniform, an Unhealthy Break Day and **NO DINNERS** will be served. Pupils will be dismissed as follows to ease congestion at the gate:

Yrs 1 – 3: 11.50am

Yrs 4 – 6: 12 noon

### 2016/2017 School Year

School reopens on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 for the start of the 2016/2017 school year.

### Classes for 2016/2017 School Year

Pupils will get to spend 30 minutes in their new class for next year on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June. The following are the classes for next year:

| Class  | Teacher                                                                 |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| N1     | Mrs Mulholland                                                          |
| N2     | Mrs Baxter: Monday - Wednesday<br>Mrs Wells: Thursday, Friday           |
| Yr 1   | Mrs Mackle                                                              |
| Yr 1   | Miss Carbery (covering Mrs Biggerstaff's Maternity Leave)               |
| Yr 2/3 | Mrs McGinnell                                                           |
| Yr 3   | Miss McGibbon                                                           |
| Yr 4   | Mrs McCreesh-West                                                       |
| Yr 5   | Mrs McGuire: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday<br>Mrs Heaney: Wednesday |
| Yr 5   | Miss McKernan                                                           |
| Yr 6   | Mrs Brown: Monday, Tuesday, Friday<br>Mrs Martin: Wednesday, Thursday   |
| Yr 7   | Mrs Heaney: Monday - Tuesday<br>Mrs Walker: Wednesday - Friday          |
| LSC    | Mr Hendron                                                              |

### Staffing

#### Farewell to Mrs McNally

Mrs McNally leaves us at the end of June to take up a full time post at Hart Memorial PS. We thank her for her commitment to Ballyoran teaching Year 5 this year and wish her well in her new post.

#### Appointment of New Teachers

The Board of Governors have appointed two permanent teachers who will take up their positions from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016.

- Miss McGibbon who will be teaching Year 3 next Year.
- Miss McKernan who will be teaching Year 5 next Year.

We congratulate both ladies on their appointment and welcome them to the permanent staff.

### **School Meals Price**

We have not been informed of any price rise in school meals. At the moment the prices remain:

- Nursery £2.40 per day
- Yr 1 – Yr 7 £2.50 per day

### **Extra Curricular Activities**

All After School Clubs have now finished for this year. Ballyoran Primary School offers pupils a very wide range of extra curricular activities each year. This is only possible because school staff give up their time to do this and I would like to thank all my staff for ensuring we have had another excellent year of clubs.

### **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast Club continues until the end of term. This Club will start on the second day of term - **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2016**. Consent Forms will be available on the first day back.

### **Prize Day 2016**

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2016 was our Annual Prize Day; which is now a very important event in our School Calendar. The Foundation Stage/Key Stage 1 Prize Giving was first at 9.15am. After refreshments, came the Key Stage 2 Prize Giving. Mrs Tedford was Special Guest at both ceremonies. Every pupil in the school received an award and all are to be congratulated on their successes and achievements. A list of the main Award Winners has been included in this News Sheet.

### **Sports Day**

Sports Day took place in fine weather on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June. It was a very pleasant atmosphere and all of the pupils showed great determination and sportsmanship in taking part in the various events. We are delighted that so many parents came along to support their children. Well done also to all of the parents who took part in a highly competitive but very enjoyable 'Wellie Boot Throw' event.

### **End of Year Trips**

Classes will go on the following End of Term Trips this year:

|         |                                      |
|---------|--------------------------------------|
| Nursery | Peter Pan's                          |
| Year 1  | Clementsmt Farm                      |
| Year 2  | Armagh Planetarium                   |
| Year 3  | Jumping Jacks, Lisburn               |
| Year 4  | Golf and Ski Centre, Lurgan          |
| Year 5  | Lisburn Leisureplex and Omniplex     |
| Year 6  | Dundonald Ice Bowl                   |
| Year 7  | Lisburn Leisureplex and Omniplex     |
| LSC     | Craigavon Omniplex and People's Park |

### **Nursery Graduation**

On Monday the 20th June the children in Nursery had their Graduation. Each child received a medal and a certificate. We had a fun morning of singing and looking back over our Nursery year.

### **Jo Jingles in Nursery**

The children really enjoyed their recent visit from Jo Jingles on Friday 10th June. It was a morning of fun, music, and movement!

### **Nursery Football Coaching**

On Tuesday 21st June, the children in the Nursery enjoyed their final visit from Coach Chris. We developed our football skills and enjoyed working together as a team.

### **Nursery Trip to Peter Pans**

On Tuesday 14th June the Nursery went on their school trip to Peter Pan's Neverland. The children all had a great time playing in the adventure play centre.

### **Annual Reports/Transition Forms**

These were distributed on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2016. One copy must be signed and returned to school. If you require clarification on any aspect of this Report, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher.

### **Love for Life Conference**

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2016, Year 7 pupils from Ballyoran Primary School joined with Year 7 pupils from Bocombra Primary School for the annual Love for Life Conference. This Conference was greatly enjoyed by all our pupils and covered such themes as:

- Conception and Pregnancy
- The Rollercoaster of Growing Up
- Coping with Change
- Peer Pressure and Healthy Relationships
- Decision Making
- Being Assertive

### **Gaelic Blitz at Ballyhegan**

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, the Gaelic team travelled to Ballyhegan GFC to take part in a blitz organised by St Oliver Plunkett's PS. The team played a series of hard fought but friendly matches against other local schools. The team played very well and showed great determination in all the games. Player of the tournament for Ballyoran was Year 6 pupil Noah McCann.

### **Brownlow Soccer Tournament**

Ballyoran took part in the Brownlow Cup soccer tournament on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, winning one match and drawing one match.

### **PSNI CASE Programme**

This month, the PSNI visited Year 7 pupils from Mrs Walker, Mrs Heaney and Mr Hendron's class to deliver the CASE programme. Session 1 was about the work the Police do in our community and some pupils even got to experience being 'arrested' and 'handcuffed'! Session 2 involved a look at Internet Safety, an appropriate theme in this modern electronic society. Pupils were shocked at how easy it can be for someone to lie on-line and learned about ways to avoid this and report any suspicious activities. Year 7s

all agreed they had learned a lot from the sessions and took part enthusiastically asking appropriate questions – well done Year 7.

### **Year 7 'Moving On' Talk**

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June, Grace from the EA came to speak to Year 7s about their transition to Secondary School. They introduced the topic with a discussion about general worries and then showed a DVD about 'Moving On Moving Up'. This involved pupils from various Primary and Secondary schools in the Dungannon Area who spoke honestly and gave plenty of useful tips on the following issues:

- First Day
- Making Friends
- Getting Help
- Older Pupils
- The School Day
- Moving Forward.

Although a lot of the Year 7s agreed that it made them feel a bit more excited about their transition, they do admit they are experiencing mixed emotions. Everyone felt happy though to receive a free pen.

### **Unwanted Uniforms**

Could you please send in any unwanted school uniforms to school in a plastic bag. We will pass them on to St Vincent de Paul. Alternatively, they can be left at the St Vincent de Paul shop in Mayfair Business Centre.

### **Parents and Friends of Ballyoran School**

All the money raised from events organised by our Parents and Friends of Ballyoran Association amounted to approximately £2,000 this year. This money will be used to buy Key Stage 2 books and Nursery Resources. Thank you to everyone for supporting our events and projects this year.

### **School Watch**

We ask that you help us out over the summer by reporting any suspicious activity around the school to the Police.

### **Emergency Evacuation Procedure**

We have been reviewing our Emergency Evacuation Procedures in the light of recent events. In the unlikely event that it becomes necessary to vacate the school premises, the entire school would walk to Drumcree Community Centre which has been designated our new Emergency Evacuation Centre. Parents would receive a text and would be asked to pick their children up there as soon as possible. We hope that we never need to use these contingency measures but you will agree that it is better to be prepared for any eventuality.

### **Farewell to Year 7**

Eighteen Year 7 pupils will be leaving Ballyoran Primary School at the end of June 2016 and transferring to the following Post Primary Schools.

|                       |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Brownlow College      | 1 pupils  |
| Drumcree College      | 11 pupils |
| Lismore Comprehensive | 3 pupils  |

|                             |         |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| St Catherine's College      | 1 pupil |
| Clounagh Junior High        | 1 pupil |
| St Patrick's Grammar School | 1 pupil |

We thank these pupils for all that they have given to Ballyoran Primary School and wish them well for the future. We hope that they leave Ballyoran Primary School with many happy memories.

### **Thank You**

This has been another busy year. A big thank you to all parents for your support and co-operation this year and to all the Staff for their hard work, commitment and dedication throughout the year and finally, to all our pupils for making this such an enjoyable year.

Wishing the entire school community a pleasant and relaxing summer break.

R Woolsey  
Principal

**PRIZE DAY 2015/2016**  
 Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2016  
**Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1**

|                            | <b>Yr 1M</b>       | <b>Yr 2McG</b>        | <b>Yr 2B</b>    | <b>Yr 3</b>       | <b>Yr 4AMCW</b> | <b>Yr 4McK</b>     | <b>LSC</b>               |
|----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Literacy                   | Cormac Reynolds    | Brooke McCann         | Bryan Guerra    | Owen Reynolds     | Majka Adamczyk  | Ellie McNiece      | Donald Lucas             |
| Numeracy                   | Mike Martins       | Filip Zaliwski        | Ben McKee       | Emilijus Bulvydas | Daniel Costa    | Stephan Millar     | William Ward             |
| ICT                        | Nicholas Magalhaes | Henrique Fialho       | Lukas Zincenko  | Lara Sequeira     | Declan Lucas    | Mark McGeown       | Baylee Blanton           |
| Effort and Endeavour       | Nia De Carvalho    | Ruairi McConville     | Anton McDonagh  | Blaithnaid Moylan | Oliwia Rybak    | Molly Davies       | Ryanlee Flynn            |
| Helpfulness and Generosity | Rory Maguire       | Ava Bradley           | Eva Williamson  | Oonagh Madden     | Bethany Castles | Ronan Kofa         | Natan Sochan             |
| Creativity                 | Hanna Kurowska     | Nayara Sanches Mendes | Roisin McAleese | Caoimhe O'Connor  | Mollie Cullen   | Bianca Pinto       |                          |
| Star Pupil                 | Cormac Reynolds    | Ben Wilson            | Emma Creaney    | Emma Breen        | Aine Gorman     | Chelsey Williamson | Amy Leigh Sterritt (KS2) |

| <b>SPORTS AWARDS</b> | <b>Yr 1</b>     | <b>Yr 2</b>               | <b>Yr 3</b>      | <b>Yr 4</b>   |
|----------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Boys                 | Mike Martins    | Leandro Dias              | Matheus Duraes   | Leandro Gomes |
| Girls                | Caoimhe McNiece | Djasmine De Pina Domingos | Caoimhe O'Connor | Ellie McNiece |

|                        | <b>Yr 1</b>     | <b>Yr 2McG</b>                  | <b>Yr 2B</b>                                     | <b>Yr 3</b>                       | <b>Yr 4AMCW</b>                | <b>Yr 4McK</b>                                                       |
|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>100% ATTENDANCE</b> | Cormac Reynolds | Nayara Mendes<br>Filip Zaliwski | Djasmine De Pina<br>Domingos<br>Davidas Dimaitis | Caoimhe O'Connor<br>Owen Reynolds | Majka Adamczyk<br>Oliwia Rybak | Dayna Hughes<br>Ronan Kofa<br>Caitlin Reynolds<br>Chelsey Williamson |

**The Hyde Cup for Progress in Reading**

Emma Breen, Yr 3

|                                          |                                              |                                                   |                    |
|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Nominations for the Calvert Award</b> | Aine Gorman<br>Ellie McNiece<br>Emilia Baran | Molly Davis<br>Oliwia Rybak<br>Chelsey Williamson | Wojciech Borowczyk |
|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------|

**The 'Calvert Award' for Contribution to Key Stage 1**

Oliwia Rybak

**PRIZE DAY 2015/2016**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2016**Key Stage 2**

| <b>AWARDS</b>                               | <b>LSC</b>         | <b>Yr 5</b>       | <b>Yr 6</b>        | <b>Yr 7</b>                |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Progress in Literacy                        |                    | Niamh Larkin      | Olivia Dunbar      | Shane Caulfield            |
| Progress in Numeracy                        | Cliona Neill       | Kajus Ciujevas    | Tiernan Brennan    | Seamus Reynolds            |
| Progress in ICT                             | Amy Leigh Sterritt | Leah Gibson       | Aaron Prunty       | Natasha Berry              |
| Creativity in the Arts                      | Jamie Campbell     | Paula Kanarkowska | Aodhan O'Connor    | Emma Rose White<br>Trainor |
| Outstanding Interest in the World Around Us |                    | Shea Edgar        | Darnell McConville | Daniel Dynes               |
| Effort and Perseverance                     | Malachy Kofa       | Markuss Klinevics | Sophie Griffin     |                            |
| Star Pupil                                  | Amy Leigh Sterritt | Julia Oliveria    | Mia Millar         | Kathlyn Paulino            |

| <b>100% ATTENDANCE</b> | <b>Yr 5</b>                      | <b>Yr 6</b>                                 | <b>Yr 7</b>                                                       | <b>LSC</b>   |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
|                        | Niamh Larkin<br>Conor Mulholland | Olivia Dunbar<br>Paul Hendron<br>Mia Millar | Aidan Kelly<br>Shay Kelly<br>Callum Mulholland<br>Kathlyn Paulino | Malachy Kofa |

| <b>MAIN AWARDS</b>                                    |                    |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| The Hillis Prize for Language and Literacy            | Madison Hall       |
| The Brown Family Cup for Mathematics and Numeracy     | Grace O'Connor     |
| The Wilson Brothers' Cup for Mathematics and Numeracy | Megan Stewart      |
| The Governors' Cup for ICT                            | Callum Mulholland  |
| The Walker Cup for The World Around Us                | Shay Kelly         |
| The McCreesh Cup for Music/Singing                    | Madison Hall       |
| The McCreesh Cup for Music/Instrumental               | Grace O'Connor     |
| The Lynas Award for Art and Design                    | Megan Stewart      |
| The Heaney Cup for Drama                              | Madison Hall       |
| The RE Cup                                            | Aidan Kelly        |
| The Gilpin LSC Special Award                          | Amy Leigh Sterritt |

