



News Sheet – June 2016

Diary Dates for June 2016

1 st	Year 1 Shared Education Session 2 with Bocombra PS Pupil Council Meeting
2 nd	Gaelic Blitz – Ballyhegan Year 4 Shared Education Session 1 with Bocombra PS
3 rd	Year 4 Shared Education Session 2 with Bocombra PS Brownlow Cup Soccer Tournament
6 th	Year 7 St Catherine's College Induction Day Jo Jingles in Nursery Nursery Closes at 12.30pm Nursery Induction Session for new pupils
7 th	Year 7 Lismore Entrance Test Nursery Closes at 12.30pm Nursery Induction Session for new pupils
8 th	Sports Day: 9.30am School finishes at 1pm for all pupils
9 th	Year 4 Shared Education Session 3 with Bocombra PS Year 1 Shared Education Session 3 with Bocombra PS
10 th	Year 4 Shared Education Session 4 with Bocombra PS
14 th	Year 7 Transition Talk from Education Welfare Service
15 th	Gaelic Blitz at Maghery
16 th	Last day of Homework and Homework Club Year 4 Shared Education Session 5 with Bocombra PS Year 1 Shared Education Session 4 with Bocombra PS
17 th	Annual Reports/Nursery Transition forms issued to Parents
w/b 20 th	End of Term Trip Week
20 th	Nursery Graduation: 10am Year 5 Trip to Lisburn Leisureplex and Omniplex Year 3 Trip to Jumping Jacks, Lisburn
21 st	Football Coaching in Nursery Year 6 Trip to Clip and Climb and Bowling, Dundonald Ice Bowl Year 1 Trip to Clementsmount Fun Farm Year 7 Trip to Lisburn Leisureplex and Omniplex
22 nd	Year 4 Trip to Golf and Ski Centre LSC Trip to Craigavon Omniplex and Portadown Peoples Park
23 rd	Exceptional Closure – School closed for Polling Station use
24 th	Year 2 Trip to Armagh Planetarium Year 7 Love for Life Conference with Bocombra PS
27 th	Class Changes
28 th	Talent Show
29 th	End of Year Class Parties
30 th	Last day of Term, no uniform, no dinners – school finishes at midday for all pupils

School Closures – June 2016

School will be closed as follows in June:

- Thursday 23rd June: Exceptional Closure for EU Referendum Polling Station Use.

Prize Day

Please note that parents of Year 7 pupils only are invited to attend Prize Day this year.

Sports Day

This will take place on Wednesday 8th June 2016 at 9.30am. The Nursery event will take place in the Nursery Outdoor Play Area with Years 1 – 4 and Years 5 – 7 on the All Weather Pitch. Refreshments will be served and there will be Parents' events. Please support our pupils on this very important day in our school calendar. Please note school will finish at 1.00pm for all pupils on this day. Please note, if it is wet, Sports Day will be rescheduled for the next available dry day. Pupils will finish school at 1.00pm on Wednesday 8th June 2016 even if Sports Day is cancelled.

Annual Reports / Nursery Transition Forms

These will be sent home on Friday 17th June 2016. Please sign both copies and return one to school. If you have any queries about anything written in the Report, please do not hesitate to contact the Class Teacher.

Induction Meetings

A big thank you to all those parents who attended our Nursery and Year 1 Induction Meetings. Anyone who was unable to attend and has still not collected their Induction Packs should call at the School Office as soon as possible.

First Holy Communion

Altogether, thirty six of our Year 4 pupils from Mrs McCreesh-West's and Miss McKernan's classes received their First Holy Communion on Saturday 7th May 2016 in St. John The Baptist Church. The Mass was celebrated by Rev. Canon Toner (school Chaplain) and the Music for the Liturgy was provided by the School Choir.

Shannaghmore

From Monday 9th May until Wednesday 11th May, 25 Year 6 and 7 pupils enjoyed a trip to Shannaghmore Outdoor Education Centre. All of the pupils took part to the best of their ability, enjoying a wide range of activities such as canoeing and adventure walking. The staff at Shannaghmore remarked on the positive attitude of the group and the exceptional leadership skills shown by many pupils. They were a great credit to their families and to the school. Indeed, the Shannaghmore staff remarked that they always look forward to the visit of Ballyoran Primary School. Please check out some of the great photographs on our school website!

Shared Education

Years 2 and 3 have linked up with Bocombra Primary School, our partner school, for their Shared Education activities exploring topics through World Around Us. Children are naturally interested and curious about what is happening in the world around them and through our shared activities they were given the opportunity to use their senses in order to develop their powers of observation, to be able to sort and classify, explore, predict, experiment, compare, plan, carry out and review their work.

Year 2 took part in a series of lessons on 'Space Travel'. The children learned that we live on planet Earth, that the sun is the main source of light, that the earth moves around the sun and that there are eight planets in the Solar System. They also learned about Tim Peake who is currently living and working on the International Space Station.

Year 3 followed a series of lessons on 'Bread'. They learned that there are goods and services which are important to our locality and where bread comes from within their locality and the wider world. The children made pancakes and observed that by applying heat they were able to change a liquid to a solid. Their buttermilk mixture became pancakes that they could eat and they were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Year 7 Leaver's DVD

The year 7s have been busy learning lyrics and polishing their dance moves for the Annual Leavers DVD. It has been a lot of fun and we look forward to seeing the finished result.

Success in Credit Union Poster Competition

Congratulations to the following pupils who were successful in the Credit Union Poster Competition. They all received prizes at a Special Presentation in the Town Hall on Tuesday 17th May 2016.

Age Group	Name	Local Level	Chapter Level
Special Category			
Under 7yrs	Donald Lucas	1 st	
	Natan Sochan	2 nd	
	Ryanlee Flynn	3 rd	
8 – 10 yrs	Jamie Campbell	1 st	1 st
	Amyleigh Sterritt	2 nd	
	Malachy Kofa	3 rd	
Ordinary Category	Grace O'Connor	2 nd	

Assessment Week

Thank you for ensuring that your child/children were in school every day during Assessment Week.

First Aid

Congratulations to Mrs Mackle who has successfully completed her First Aid at Work Exam.

Stay Safe and Stay Out Campaign

We have been asked by the Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland to bring to your attention the dangers of children going near quarries.

The potential hazards that people expose themselves to are:

- Swimming in quarry lakes that can have very cold water even on a hot day in the middle of summer. Strong swimmers have drowned in quarries due to the unexpected impact that the extreme cold has had on their bodies.
- The water in quarry lakes can be very deep and shelving, exit from the water may only be possible in a few places, there may be pumps working or currents that can drag you under the water.
- There can be concealed underwater obstructions and other hazards that can seriously injure swimmers or individuals jumping into the water – tombstoning into quarry lakes is not safe.
- Tunnelling into piles of sand or playing on stockpiles exposes you to the risk of sudden collapses or movements that can easily bury you.
- Walking near the edge of quarry faces exposes you to the risk of serious falls as the edges can be unstable and collapse unexpectedly or sheer faces be obstructed by vegetation.
- Climbing or walking near rock faces can expose you to the risk of rock falls.
- Surfaces in quarries that may look solid, such as the surface of a silt pond, can suddenly break and act like quick sand sucking you down.
- Trail and quad biking in a quarry exposes riders to risks from unstable terrain, unexpected obstructions and being hit by moving plant.
- Young people on bikes or on foot may not be visible to operators of large machinery, they may not appreciate that the driver cannot see them.
- Quarries can often be located in remote sites where mobile reception is poor and there is no one on hand to help in the event of an accident.

Traffic Situation

A local resident has contacted me this week to complain about the traffic situation outside the school. As you are aware we are working with the Education Authority to try and get parking bays created at the front of the school. In the meantime I would again remind parents to show consideration and respect to local residents every day when dropping off or picking up pupils.

Menu for June 2016

(See last page)

R Woolsey
Principal

Menu for June 2016

	Week commencing 30.05.16	Week commencing 06.06.16	Week commencing 13.06.16	Week commencing 20.06.16	Week commencing 27.06.16
Monday	School Closed Bank Holiday	Oven Baked Steak Burgers or Spaghetti Bolognese, Turnip, Broccoli, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes Jelly, Fruit & Cornflour Sauce	Fish Fingers, Chicken & Ham Pasta Bake, Beans, Mashed Potatoes Rice Pudding & Fruit	Shepherd's Pie or Stuffed Bacon Rolls, Carrots, Broccoli, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Salad Ice cream, Fruit & Chocolate Sauce	Fish Fingers or Chicken & Broccoli Bake, Beans, Sweetcorn, Salad, Coleslaw, Mashed Potatoes, Pasta Vanilla Sponge & Custard
Tuesday	School Closure	Fish Fingers or Chicken Curry & Rice, Beans, Sweetcorn, Coleslaw, Salad, Mashed Potatoes Chocolate Cake & Custard	Oven Baked Sausages or Lasagne, Carrots, Broccoli, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Salad, Coleslaw Sponge Cake & Custard	Cheese & Tomato Pizza or Savoury Rice, Peas, Sweetcorn, Salad, Chips, Baby Boiled Potatoes Rice Pudding & Peaches	Oven Baked Steak, Carrots, Broccoli, Gravy. Mashed Potatoes or Sweet & Sour Chicken & Boiled Rice Jelly, Fruit & Cornflour Sauce
Wednesday	Fish Fingers or Chicken Tagliatelle, Beans, Salad, Coleslaw, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Ice cream, Fruit & Chocolate Sauce	Chicken Breast Nuggets or Tuna Wraps, Peas, Sweetcorn, Salad, Coleslaw, Chips, Baby Boiled Potatoes Ice cream, Fruit & Wafer	Savoury Mince, Mixed Veg, Pasta, Crusty Bread, Mashed Potatoes or Chicken Curry & Rice Ice cream & Chocolate Sauce	Roast Turkey, Stuffing or Chicken & Cheese Tagliatelle, Carrots, Broccoli, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Apple Crumble & Custard	Cocktail Sausages or Tuna Wraps, Salad, Sweetcorn Peas, Sauces, Chips, Baked Potatoes Tubs of Ice cream & Fruit
Thursday	Chicken Crumble Top Pie or Macaroni Cheese, Carrots, Parsnips, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Jelly & Fruit Salad	Roast Turkey, Stuffing or Vegetable Pasta Bake, Carrots, Broccoli, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Flakemeal Biscuit, Fruit & Custard	Baked Gammon, Turnip, Cabbage, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes or Sweet & Sour Chicken & Boiled Rice Biscuit, Fruit & Custard	School Closure	School Finishes at 12noon No Dinners
Friday	Homemade pizza or Tuna Wraps, Peas, Sweetcorn, Salad, Coleslaw, Baby Boiled Potatoes, Chips Rice Pudding & Oranges	Homemade Vegetable Soup or Chicken Soup, Hotdogs or Filled Rolls, Chicken/Salad Frozen Mousse, Fruit or Raisins Cookies	Cheese & Tomato Pizza, Wraps, Sweetcorn, Peas, Salad, Baked Potatoes, Chips Jelly & Fruit Salad	Homemade Vegetable Soup or Chicken Soup, Steak Burgers or Filled Rolls, Salad/Chicken Jelly, Fruit or Mousse	

Milk, Water, Bread, Fruit and Yoghurt available daily

For further information on allergenic ingredients, please contact the school

Menu subject to deliveries

