



## News Sheet – June 2011

### End of Term Arrangements

Monday 27<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011 will be **NON-UNIFORM DAYS**.

School finishes at 12 noon on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011 for the summer vacation.  
Please note that this will be an Unhealthy Break Day and **NO DINNERS** will be served.

### 2011/2012 School Year

School reopens on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2011 for the start of the 2011/2012 school year.

### Classes for 2011/2012 School Year

Pupils will get to spend 30 minutes in their new class for next year on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2011.

The following are the classes for next year:

Class	Teacher	Assistant
N1	Mrs Mulholland	Mrs Stewart
N2	Mrs Carson	Mrs McConville
P1	Mrs Mackle	Mrs McCourt
P2	Mrs Garvey	Mrs Glavin
P3	Mrs McGinnell	Mrs Donnelly
P4	Mrs McCreesh-West	
P5	Miss Daly/Mrs Walker	
P6	Mrs Brown/Mrs Walker	
P7	Mrs Heaney/Mrs Russell	Mrs Huddleson
LSC	Mr Hendron	Mrs Good

### Farewell to Mrs O'Hanlon

Ballyoran Primary School sadly says farewell to Mrs O'Hanlon who is retiring at the end of August after 25 years' service to the school. Mrs O'Hanlon is currently a Year One teacher and Foundation/Key Stage One Co-ordinator. The Principal, on behalf of the entire school community, would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her tireless dedication and commitment to the school over 25 years and wish her a long and happy retirement. Pupils had an opportunity to say goodbye to Mrs O'Hanlon at a special Farewell Assembly on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2011.

### School Meals Price

The SELB have decided that the cost of school dinners will remain unchanged from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2011.

- Nursery                      £2.10 per day
- P1 – P7                        £2.20 per day

### Follow Up Inspection

You will be aware that the Education and Training Inspectorate carried out a Follow-Up Inspection of the school on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2011. The Inspection was very positive and recognised the tremendous amount of hard work that has taken place in the school over these past 18 months. Provision in the school is now recognised as good. The full report can be accessed on the school website: [www.ballyoranps.com](http://www.ballyoranps.com)

### School Supports Barnardos

A cheque for £400 was presented to Barnardos at a Special Assembly on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2011. Thank you to everyone who supported this very worthy cause.

### Induction Meetings

A big thank you to all those parents who attended our P1 and Nursery Induction Meetings earlier this month. There was an excellent turnout at both Meetings which was very encouraging for the staff. Anyone who was unable to attend and has still not collected their Induction Packs should call at the School Office as soon as possible.

### Pupil Council

The Pupil Council held its last meeting of the year on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2011. A big thank you to the following six Class Reps for all their hard work on the Pupil Council this year:

CLASS	REPRESENTATIVE	CLASS	REPRESENTATIVE
P3	Danica Hall	P6	Zuzanna Baran
P4	Keelin Brennan	P7	Lauren Wilson
P5	Marina Duraes	LSC	Micheal Reynolds

### Year 7 Pop DVD

Year 7 pupils have spent two days making a Pop DVD in school. The DVD which has been professionally recorded and edited was a great success and pupils had much fun in the process. This DVD will be a memento to keep of their final days at Ballyoran Primary School and can be purchased from school at a cost of £5.

### Romanian Copper Appeal

Thank you to those who have continued to support our Romanian Copper Appeal. The money raised to date is helping to build a house for orphans. Pupils were updated on the project at a Special Assembly on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2011 when they got to see a PowerPoint presentation of photographs. This appeal will continue into next year so please keep supporting it.

### P6 and P7 Swimming Gala

This took place on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2011 at Cascades Leisure Complex. Well done to all our medal winners who were presented with these at our Annual Sports Award Ceremony.

### Sports Day

Sports Day took place on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June this year and was a great success. The weather was excellent and there was a very pleasing turnout of parents, family and friends to support the pupils. A special well done to Nursery pupils who, for the first time, joined the rest of the school for Sports Day. Well done to all the medal winners who received these at the Sports Award Ceremony on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2011. Every pupil who took part in Sports Day also received a Certificate this year.

### Prize Day 2011

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2011 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 9.30am and the Special Guest was Rev Fr M O'Dwyer. After refreshments, came the Key Stage 2 Prize Giving with Mrs V Nicholl, School Road Safety Officer, as our Special Guest. Every pupil in the school received an award and all are to be congratulated on their successes and achievements. A big thank you to all the parents and friends who supported Prize Day. It was an encouragement to see the number of parents and family attending up this year.

### End of Year Trips

Classes went on the following End of Term Trips this year:

Nursery	Tannaghmore Gardens
Year 1	Clementsmonth Farm
Year 2	Lisburn Omniplex and McDonalds
Year 3	W5
Year 4	Armagh Planetarium
Year 5	Lisburn Leisureplex and Omniplex
Year 6	Dundonald Ice Bowl
Year 7	Lisburn Leisureplex and Omniplex
LSC	Lisburn Omniplex and McDonalds

## Dancing Festival

Our 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Folk Dancing Festival took place in the School Assembly Hall on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2011. The Adjudicator was Miss Carolyn McGinnell a former pupil of Ballyoran Primary School. Miss McGinnell said that she was very impressed with the standard in all the Classes. Twenty-two dancers competed and everyone was awarded at least one prize. Congratulations to our main prize winners:

Lara White	Overall Champion
Beatriz Almeida	2 <sup>nd</sup> Overall
Jane Dunbar	3 <sup>rd</sup> Overall
Sarah Hendron	Winner of the Most Promising Dancer Award

Thank you to all the parents and friends who attended.

## Nursery Graduation

This took place on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2011 in the school Assembly Hall. Thirty-three Nursery pupils graduated to Year One and received Medals and Certificates to mark the occasion. We wish all our Nursery pupils, moving to Year One, well for the future.

## Annual Reports

These were distributed on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2011. One copy must be signed and returned to school by **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2011**. If you require clarification on any aspect of this Report, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher.

## Tesco/Sainsbury Vouchers

A big thank you to everyone for collecting Tesco and Sainsbury Vouchers for the school this year. Approximately 10,550 Tesco Vouchers were collected and these will be used to purchase ICT equipment. A total of 956 Sainsbury Vouchers were collected and will be used to purchase PE equipment.

## ICT Accreditation

All P4 pupils successfully achieved Level 2 in this and all P7 pupils successfully achieved Level 4. Well done to all the pupils involved.

## School Watch

You will have seen various posters up around the school regarding this. We ask that you help us out over the summer by reporting any suspicious activity around the school. A flyer accompanies this News Sheet.

## Farewell to Year 7

Twenty-three Year 7 pupils will be leaving Ballyoran Primary School at the end of June 2011 and transferring to the following Post Primary Schools.

Brownlow College	6 pupils
Drumcree College	8 pupils
Lismore Comprehensive	5 pupils
St Catherine's College	1 pupil
St Joseph's, Coalisland	1 pupil
St Patrick's, Armagh	2 pupils

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.

## Food Hygiene

You will be pleased to know that the Canteen in Ballyoran Primary School received full marks in the new Food Hygiene Rating. This initiative is administered by the Food Standards Agency and Craigavon Borough Council. The school scored **5** which is 'very good'.

## Best Kept Schools Award

The school was Highly Commended this year in the *Best Kept Schools Award*, receiving 89 marks out of 100.

## Thank You

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

R Woolsey  
Principal

**PRIZE DAY 2010/2011**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2011**Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1**

<b>AWARDS/CLASS</b>	<b>P1M</b>	<b>P1O</b>	<b>P2</b>	<b>P3</b>	<b>P4</b>
Literacy	Olivia Dunbar	Kirsty Creaney	Seamus Reynolds	Oliwia Osinska	Shannon Hughes
Numeracy	Tiernan Brennan	Aaron Prunty	Abhiram Reji	William Paulino	Keelin Brennan
Creativity	Evie judge	Noah McCann	Callum Mulholland	Reghan McKinstry	Mia McKee
Effort and Endeavour	Malachy Kofa	Paul Hendron	Aidan Kelly	Ines Almeida	Karla Eadie
Helpfulness and Generosity	Thomas Corry	Ellie Rose Bradley	Katie Hatton	Olivia Corry	Emma Dunbar
ICT					Adam Millar
Star Pupil	Mia Millar	Kirsty Creaney	Niall Robinson	Cain Hendron	Keelin Brennan

<b>SPORTS AWARDS</b>	<b>P1</b>	<b>P2</b>	<b>P3</b>	<b>P4</b>
Boys	Adohan O'Connor	Niall Robinson	Joao Ferreira	Niall Wilson
Girls	Evie Judge	Kathlyn Paulino	Ana Vidal	Courtney Castles

<b>100% ATTENDANCE</b>	Tiernan Brennan	Malachy Kofa	Roisin Larkin	Catrina Mackle	Aidan Kelly	Oliwia Kottus
	Courtney Sharpe	Emma Dunbar	Catherine Hendron	Emma Larkin	Adam Millar	Niall Wilson

<b>Nominations for the Calvert Award</b>	Shannon Hughes	Karla Eadie	Keelin Brennan	Courtney Castles
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The 'Calvert Award' for Contribution to Key Stage 1

Keelin Brennan

**PRIZE DAY 2010/2011**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2011**Key Stage 2**

<b>AWARDS</b>	<b>LSC</b>	<b>P5</b>	<b>P6</b>	<b>P7</b>
Progress in Literacy	Micheal Reynolds	Zuzanna Osinska	Zuzanna Baran	Conlon Prentice
Progress in Numeracy	Amy Wilson	Niamh Garland	Lauren White-Trainor	Cassandra Lima
Progress in ICT	Bruno Serrador	Wiktorina Kania	Brooke McCann	Jordan McConville
Creativity in the Arts	Shola Heath	Marina Duraes	Aimee McGuckin	Aoife Elliott
Outstanding Interest in the World Around Us	Kevin Wilson	Cloda Girvan	Joe Mackle	Laura Lavery
Effort and Perseverance	Annie Hyde	Charlene Skelton	Bianca Guerra	Chantelle Maguire

<b>AWARDS</b>	<b>LSC</b>	<b>P5</b>	<b>P6</b>	<b>P7</b>
Star Pupil	Shola Heath	Niamh Garland	Lauren-White Trainor	Conlon Prentice

<b>100% ATTENDANCE</b>	Amy Wilson	Sarah Hendron	Jane Dunbar	Una Hendron since P5
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<b>MAIN AWARDS</b>	
The Hillis Prize for Language and Literacy	Una Hendron
The Brown Family Cup for Numeracy	Lara White
The Governors' Cup for ICT	Corey Prunty
The Walker Cup for The World Around Us	Rebecca Skelton
The McCreesh Cup for Music/Singing	Shane Robinson
The McCreesh Cup for Music/Instrumental	Rebecca Skelton
The Lynas Award for Art and Design	Lauren Wilson
The Heaney Cup for Drama	Rebecca Griffin
The RE Cup	Jane Dunbar
The Gilpin LSC Special Award	Kevin Wilson
The Principal's Cup for Environmental Interest	Miranda Giedraityte
The Heaney Cup for Irish Folk Dancing	Lara White/Pearse Lavery

<b>Nominations for the Hagan Award</b>	Miranda Giedraityte	Rebecca Griffin	Una Hendron	Chantelle Maguire
	Jordan McConville	Oran McGuckin	Shane Robinson	Lara White

The Hagan Award for Contribution to Ballyoran Primary School	Lara White
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<b>SPORTS DAY AWARDS</b>	<b>P5</b>	<b>P6</b>	<b>P7</b>
Overall Winner - Boys	Joshua McGeough	Tiernan Byrne	Jordan McConville
Overall Winner - Girls	Hollie O'Neill	Caitlin Douglas	Jane Dunbar

<b>SPORTS AWARDS</b>	
The Ambassadors in Sport Boys' Soccer Award	Conlon Prentice
The Ambassadors in Sport Girls' Soccer Award	Rebecca Griffin
Tir na nOg Trophy for Boys' Gaelic	Oran McGuckin
Tir na nOg Trophy for Girls' Gaelic	Jane Dunbar
The Auld Cup for the Sports Person of the Year	Oran McGuckin