



● **Remember:**

● Please remember that St. Anne's Primary School is a "NUT FREE ZONE"

● Allergy Aware School: As we have a number of children with nut and egg allergies, please send no nuts (including products containing nuts) or eggs to school as lunch items.

● Please click this link to find Internet Safety resources to help keep your child safe online.
<https://www.webwise.ie/parents/>

● **School Dinners**

● The price of a school meal is €2.60 per day or €13.00 per week. Dinners for the week (paid and free) should be ordered on the school website page: parents/dinner menu by 9am on Monday morning. As the dinners are prepared in St Patrick's kitchen, the cooks must know the numbers in advance.

● **Collection of children**

● Class teachers should be informed of any changes to arrangements for collecting children. Please send a note to school with your child.

● When paying dinner and milk money cheques should be made payable to: The Education Authority—NE Region. Everything else should be made payable to St Anne's PS.

● **Healthy Breaks**— Please send only fruit or a plain biscuit to school as a break-time snack. ONLY water or milk may be taken at break-time. One sweet or savoury treat is appropriate for lunchtime.



● **EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS**

● Every single day a child is absent from school equates to a day of lost learning.

● The Department of Education have launched their media campaign "Miss School, Miss Out". Further information can be found at: www.nidirect.gov.uk/miss-school-miss-out. Education Welfare will be informed of pupils with attendance falling below 85% at any time throughout the year.

100% Attendance	0 Days Missed
95% Attendance	9 Days of Absence
90% Attendance	19 Days of Absence
85% Attendance	28 Days of Absence
80% Attendance	38 Days of Absence
75% Attendance	46 Days of Absence

Check out our website
<https://www.stannespscorkey.com/>



Weekly News!

Thursday 23rd January 2025

● **School Closure** — The Department of Education has advised that all schools in Northern Ireland are required to close tomorrow, Friday 24th January, due to the anticipated severe weather conditions.

● **P1 Enrolment** — The EA portal is now open for Parents of children starting P1 in September 2025 to apply for their place online at www.eani.org.uk. The deadline for applications is tomorrow Friday 24th January at 12 noon. Please see our website for the link.

● **Grandparents Day 2025** — Thank you to all the Grandparents, Parents and family members who were able to attend our Grandparents Day assembly on Tuesday. It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to acknowledge the positive impact made by Grandparents in so many aspects of their lives. Pictures of the assembly are available to view on the school website.

● **Post Primary Applications** — The EA Connect portal will open on Tuesday 28th January for P7 parents to apply for admission to Post Primary Schools. Please complete this online application by Thursday 20th February at 12 noon at www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions/post-primary-admissions-guide. Any parents who wish to discuss their options just get in touch.

● **Boys Soccer Tournament** — on Wednesday 29th January in the Joey Dunlop Centre. Permission slips will be sent home with the players on Monday.

● **Cumann Na mBunscoil Quiz** — will take place in St Ciaran's PS, Cushendun on Friday 31st January.

● **St Brigid's Crosses** — We invite the grandparents of our P5, P6 and P7 into school on Tuesday 28th January from 1pm to help make St Brigid's crosses with the children in the assembly hall.

● **Reminder: Mid Term Break** — Monday 10th — Friday 14th February. School will close at 11am on Friday 7th February and reopen on Monday 17th February.

● **St Anne's PTA "Split the Pot"** has it's next winner: **Moira McLean**. Moira won an amazing £72. Well done Moira! A huge thanks to everyone for their support. We have sent home two envelopes to each family but feel free to return as many as you like. Envelopes are also available to complete in all the usual outlets.

● **Split The Pot Pupil Draw for £5** — Continues next week. This week's winner was **Ellie Gilmore**. Remember, every pupil who brings a completed envelope into school for the weekly draw is entered into the pupil draw to win £5. This will take place every week at assembly — Every envelope = one entry into the draw. All bulk buy envelopes will be entered for 10 weeks.

● **Loughguile Credit Union** — School savings will continue every Wednesday. Anyone who would like to become a member can obtain an application form from the school office.

● **School Dinners** — All school dinners (paid and free) should be ordered through the school website and paid for at the start of each week.

● **Free School Meals** — If you think that your child/children may be entitled to free school meals, application forms are available from the Education Authority Website: www.eani.org.uk. **These applications have to be renewed annually**, therefore we would encourage parents to submit their applications if they have not already done so. **We encourage all who are eligible to apply.**

Swimming

Swimming will continue for P7 next Wednesday. The cost is £4 per child per week.

Violin Tuition

Continues every Wednesday

Road Safety

We kindly ask that during school drop offs and pick ups parents/guardians please keep speed down as children can run out of nowhere and cars should turn at Ballure or Rockend entries not directly in front of the school.



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● **School Absences** — Must be reported in writing to your child's teacher as soon as possible, usually on your child's return to school. This ensures the correct absence code can be entered to the official attendance register. A pro-forma is available to download from the school website.

● **Dates for the Diary** —

P7 Service of Light and Commitment — Thursday 6th February at 7pm

First Confessions — Friday 14th March at 11am

Confirmation — Thursday 3rd April at 11am

First Communion — Saturday 7th June at 11am

How Can a Parent/Carer Raise a Safeguarding Concern?

• I have a concern about my/a child's safety



• I can talk to the class teacher



• If I am still concerned, I can talk to the Designated Teacher for child protection **Mrs McQuaid**, or the Deputy Designated Teacher for child protection / Principal **Mr Duffin** on 02827641429.



• If I am still concerned, I can talk/write to the Chair of Board of Governors **Mrs Majella Murray** or the Designated Governor for child protection **Mrs Patricia McAuley**.

• At any time I can talk to the local Children's Services Gateway Team.
Tel: 03001234333 at any time

• or the PSNI Central Referral Unit at 101

Designated Teacher for Child Protection
Mrs Clara McQuaid



Deputy Designated Teacher for Child Protection & Principal.
Mr Henry Duffin



Designated Governor for child protection **Mrs Patricia McAuley**.

