



**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 at lunch items.

St Anne's Breakfast Club - The club will run from 7.45am until 8.50am every morning until the end of the year. If you wish your child/children to attend the breakfast club can you please complete the online form on the school website before 3pm on the Friday prior to the week you are booking for: Parents/Breakfast Club stating the days your child/children wish to take breakfast and send £4 per day in an envelope with you child's name on it. Parents please note that supervision for children who are not attending the breakfast club begins at 8.50am, children will not be supervised or permitted to enter the school building before this time.

**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.



**School Dinners**

The price of a school meal is going up to €3.10 per day or €15.50 per week from 5th January 2026. 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.

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.

**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 26th February 2026**

- P7 Mass of Commitment** - will be held tonight, Thursday 26th February at 7pm in St Patrick's Church. P7 pupils and members of the choir are asked to be there for 6:45pm, wearing full school uniform. The choir should be finished at 7:45pm
- First Confession** - will be held on Friday 27th February at 10.30am in St Patrick's Church.
- Job Vacancy** - Catering Assistant in St Anne's PS Corkey for 2.5 hours per day, (12.5 hours per week) starting on 1st April. Please contact Deirdre on 028 90821415 for an application form or more information.
- 2025-2026 Calendar** - An updated calendar will be sent home with the children tomorrow.
- World Book Day** - will be celebrated by St Anne's pupils on Thursday 5th March. The children can dress up in a simple fancy dress costume which could be inspired by your favourite book character or wear your favourite clothes. We ask parents if they would kindly like to make a donation of £1 for this, all proceeds going to Sr Patricia and Trocaire. There will be a competition for each class, with Book Token Prizes donated by the PTA, for pupils who participate in one or more of the following:
  - A picture of you reading your favourite book in a strange place (Photo should be emailed to the class teacher)
  - A potato model of your favourite book character
  - Design a new book cover for your favourite book, you must include the title and author on the book cover. Templates will be given out by the class teachers on Monday.

All entries for these competitions must be in before Thursday 5th March.

- Lenten Fundraising for Trocaire/Sr Patricia** - There will be lots of fun activities over the next 6 weeks to fundraise for Trocaire and Sr Patricia.
  - 10p Trail - Bring in as many 10p's as possible continues each week
  - Design an Egg Colouring Competition for £1- these can be bought from Monday 23rd February and they must be returned by Friday 13th March
  - Guess the number of sweets in the jar £1. These will go on sale from Tuesday 3rd March
  - Green Day Monday 16th March
- Soccer League Finals** - will take place on Tuesday 3rd March. We wish the boys the best of luck.
- P5 & P6 Egyptian Day** - will be held on Thursday 12th March, more details to follow.
- PTA EGM** - will be held on Monday 23rd March at 7pm, everyone welcome. We particularly welcome parents from P1-P4 to support the vital work of the PTA.
- P3 & P4 Afterschool Hurling Club** - will continue next Wednesday from 2:50pm to 3:50pm.
- Brain Gym** - will start on Monday 2nd March from 3pm to 4pm
- St Anne's PTA "Split the Pot"** - has it's next winner: Jack & Mia Smiley! Jack & Mia won an amazing £74.50. Well done Jack & Mia! A huge thanks to everyone for their support! "Split the Pot" draw will be taking a short break before the next "Bulk Buy" cycle commences, please keep an eye on the PTA Facebook page for updates.

**Swimming**

P7 will continue swimming next Wednesday. The cost is €4 per child per week.



**Violin Tuition**

Will continue next 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.



#### 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](tel: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**.



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- **Split The Pot Pupil Draw for £5** — This week's winner was **Kealan O'Hagan**. 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.
- **After School Active Community Table Tennis** for P5-P7 — will continue next Tuesday from 3-4pm.
- **Attendance** — We are going to be reviewing the attendance rates in the coming weeks.
- **Loughquile Credit Union** — School savings will continue next Wednesday. Anyone who would like to become a member can obtain an application form from the school office. This is a great opportunity to get your savings growing from an early age.
- **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 .
- **School Meals Price Increase** — The price of school meals has increased to £3.10 per day or £15.50 per week from 1st January 2026.
- **School Dinners** — As the school dinners are prepared in St Patrick's the cook needs to know the dinner choices in advance as she only sends the number of dinners that we order. Therefore can you please discuss the menu with your child so that they know in the morning what they have ordered as its too late to change their dinner choice at lunchtime.
- **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**
  - St Patrick's Day — Tuesday 17th March (School closed)
  - School Development day — Wednesday 18th March (Children do not attend School)
  - Confirmation — Thursday 26th March at 11am
  - School Development day — Tuesday 5th May (Children do not attend School)
  - First Communion — Saturday 9th May at 11am