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GARRYDUFF NEWS

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26th March 2026

ASSEMBLY: Pastor John McDermott (Baptist)

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

MON 13th **P6 GRAFTERS (free)**
P3-7- TO BE CONFIRMED*
TUES 14th P3-7 Golf (Diane) £3/wk
WED 15th P4-7 Country Scottish Dance (free)
Piano lessons with Hazel
THURS 16th P4-7 Football (Nigel)*£3/wk
P6 Grafters (free)

😊 WELCOME 😊

I give a very warm welcome to **Noah C** who is joining our P1 class in Garryduff today. I trust he will settle quickly into life at school.

RESIDENTIAL TRIP MEETING-short meeting on Mon 13th April 6.30pm for parents/carers.

PTA TESCO DOOR COLLECTION

Our PTA have secured a **door collection slot in Tesco on SATURDAY 2ND MAY.** This is a great way to support our fundraising and promote our school in the local community. Come along and join our PTA committee for an hour and bringing your children along in their school uniform also encourages people to support us! I will send a rota list - just let me know a time slot that would suit you. Thank you for your continued support towards our fundraising efforts for school.

WEAR A WORD DAY-15th April

We will begin our book fair week with **wear a word day on WEDNESDAY 15TH APRIL.** Pupils can come to school dressed in their own clothes to depict a word eg SPARKLY(glittery top) SPORTY (shorts) etc

DATES FOR THE DIARY

15/4 Book Fair in school
22-24/4 P6/7 Residential Trip Share Village
2/5 Tesco Door Collection (PTA Fundraising)
4+5/5 May Day holidays 😊
15/5 P6/7 Love for Life Workshops

****EASTER HOLIDAYS****

School **CLOSES** for ALL pupils tomorrow, **FRIDAY 27th MARCH at 12 NOON (NO LUNCH).**

We look forward to welcoming everyone **back to school on MONDAY 13th APRIL.**

FINAL DAY OF FUNDRAISING WEEK

The School Council would like to thank everyone for their kind donations so far towards the Cancer Fund for Children. One more day of Breaktime fundraising taking place....

Fri-ice-cream cone/tubs with sauce-50p
FRIDAY will also be **NON-UNIFORM DAY (£1)** with all money raised going to Cancer fund for Children.

****PTA EVENT-SAVE THE DATE****

The final PTA fundraising activity of the year is being held on **THURS 28TH MAY 6.30-8.30pm** at school and is taking the format of a pop-up shop, games and puddings evening. Entry will be **FREE** with donations for the puddings and tickets purchased for the games and clothes stall. More details after the holidays.

BANYAN THEATRE VISIT-Banyan theatre company will visit school on **Friday 17th April** as part of our literacy week. All pupils will attend the performance.

COMMUNITY EVENT

Garryduff PW are holding an **SPRING TEA on Saturday 28th MARCH from 2-4pm** in the Church Hall in aid of KIDNEY RESEARCH and PW Mission Funds. See flyer.



Wear a Word Day – 15th April 2026

The Book Fair arrives in school on Wednesday 15th April and we wanted to celebrate by having a special Literacy themed day for the children to enjoy.

We are inviting each child to come to school dressed as a word. Each child will wear a sign showing their word and dress to show the meaning of it. You can be as imaginative and creative as you want with your word and costume! Please don't go out and buy anything new – this is a day to have some fun and make vocabulary more meaningful for the children. We will have lots of activities for the children to take part in throughout the day using their words.

Some examples of words might be - happy, cosy, strong, vibrant, tired, rainbow, fragile, jellyfish, athletic, firefighter.

There are lots of ideas on the internet if you look up “Dress as a word day”, “Vocabulary Parade” or “Wear a word day”. Teachers will discuss with children all the different types of words they could choose and show them lots of examples.

We hope this will be a really enjoyable learning experience for the children.

