



# MACOSQUIN PRIMARY SCHOOL



January 2020 Monthly News

## P7 POST PRIMARY APPLICATIONS



Application forms for transfer to Post Primary Schools will be sent home with your child when we receive these from Education Authority. **These must be returned no later than Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January.** A letter will also be enclosed offering parents a transfer interview on either 27<sup>th</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup> January. All schools select pupils via their admissions criteria, these can be accessed on the EA website via the link below;

<https://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions/post-primary-admissions-guide>

Details of P6 / P7 Open Nights can be found on individual school websites / Facebook pages.

## TRANSFER RESULTS



Good luck to those P7 pupils who will be receiving their transfer results on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January. We wish you all the very best.

## FESTIVAL CUPS



Festival cups must be engraved and returned to school by 1<sup>st</sup> February.

## DATA COLLECTION SHEETS



Data collections sheets will be sent home with your child over the next few weeks. Can you please update your details as required and return to the school by 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020. Forms should be returned even if your details remain unchanged.



## SCHOOL CLOSURES

School will be closed on the following dates:

- 17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> February - Half Term Break
- 4<sup>th</sup> March (close at 12pm) - School Development



Reminder - Breakfast Club opens from 8am each morning; no child should arrive prior to this time as there is no supervision.

Cost is 50p per day, this should be paid daily or £2.50 for the week (no refunds for absences). Breakfast Club do not have the facility to issue change so children should bring the correct change. Thank you for your support.

## ADMISSIONS PROCEDURE FOR P1 PUPILS SEPT'20

Please follow the link below for information regarding Admissions Procedure for new P1 pupils in September 2020. You will also find guidance on how to make an online application via The Admissions Portal which is open to parents from 7<sup>th</sup> January until 12 noon on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

[www.eani.org.uk/admissions](http://www.eani.org.uk/admissions)

IT'S A CRACKER!!



Junior Show Christmas DVD's are now on sale on Sims Agora. Please order now as stock is limited.

## MACOSQUIN PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION



Our next meeting for our Parents' and Friends' Association will take place on 20<sup>th</sup> January at 6pm to organise events for Term 2.

If you are able to help please feel free to come along on the night, everyone is welcome.



## TERM 2 PARENT INTERVIEWS

These will take place during week commencing Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February for P1 - P6 pupils. School will finish at 2pm each day. A slip will be sent home with your child which must be returned by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January.

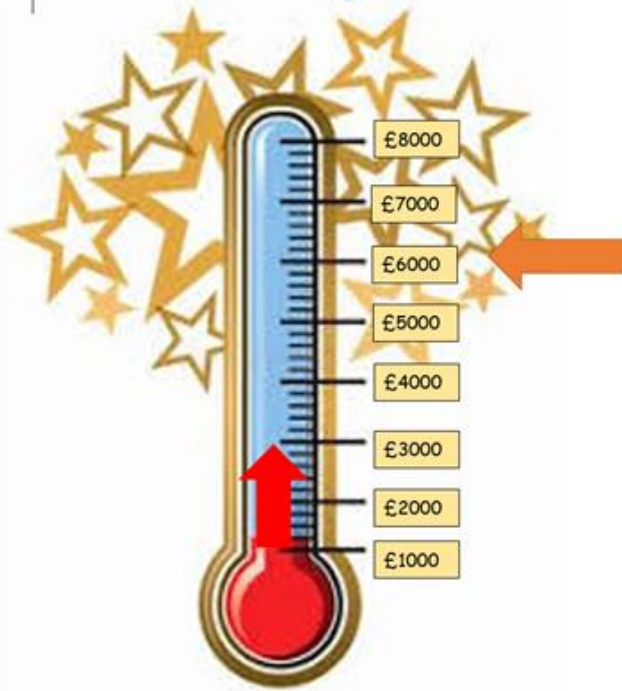
## WALKING BUS



Walking Bus will recommence Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January from 8.20am. Why not travel actively to school and get 2020 off to a great, active start? We hope to see you there!

## MACOSQUIN FRIENDS' ASSOCIATION

### Our Target!



**Our target has nearly been smashed!**

**We have raised an amazing £6000 so far. These funds will go towards much needed Shared Reading Resources and Outdoor Play Equipment.**

**A huge thank-you to everyone for their amazing support!**

### HOCKEY



Huge congratulations to our Hockey team who played brilliantly at the Ulster Hockey blitz at Rugby Avenue on 6th December. The team won three of their matches and drew one, scoring a total of 7 goals. A huge thank you to all parents who provided car lifts or supported the team by watching the matches - this was greatly appreciated! Good luck to the girls for their next hockey blitz on 17th January.

### JINGLE BELL BALL



What a fantastic night had by all! The children experienced a magical Christmas atmosphere at our Jingle Bell Ball on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

The children got to see a special visitor in the spectacular Christmas grotto and got the opportunity to get festive pictures. They also enjoyed the face-painting station and delicious treats at the tuck shop. A frozen themed cake was also available for the children to guess the weight.

A massive thank-you to our Friends' Association for organising this successful, fun-filled event and to our school community for supporting us. A fantastic £1600 was raised!

### ST MARY'S CHURCH DONATION TO THE SCHOOL



The school would like to thank St Mary's Church for their kind donation of £1000 which they recently raised at their community Big Breakfast. This money will go towards our fundraising target for the school. We really appreciate your generosity.