

Lissan PS Newsletter

March 2025



Please find below useful information and reminders for the month of March 2025

Dear Parents,

It is lovely to see the longer days that show us that Spring has arrived! I hope the children all had a lovely midterm break and are looking forward to all the wonderful activities we have planned for the remainder of Term 2.

This term is always very busy so please keep an eye on Class Dojo and our school website for updated information. Our school Facebook page is a wonderful space for you to see the amazing activities the children are doing in school also.

If you require any additional information or have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Kindest regards,

Mrs McIntyre

(Principal)



Sacramental Information

Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday 15th April at 7pm

**The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will take place on
Saturday 7th June 2025 in St Michael's Church at 11am**



Sacrament of Confirmation 2025

**Service of Light (P7) will take place on Sunday 23rd March at
10.30 am in St Michael's Church**

**The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Wednesday 2nd
April at 5 pm in St Michael's Church.**



School Holidays

Bank Holiday

Monday 17th March 2025 (1 day)

Easter Holidays

School closes at 11.00 am on Thursday 17th April 2025

Friday 18th April – Friday 25th April 2025 (6 days)

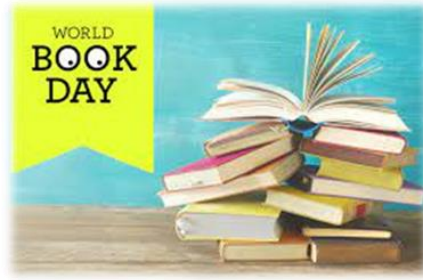
May Bank Holidays

Monday 5th, Thursday 22nd – Tuesday 27th May 2025

(5 days)

Summer Holidays

School closes at 11.00 am on Friday 27th June 2025



World Book Day – Thursday 6th March 2025

We champion the **importance of reading because it seriously improves our pupils' lives**. Reading for fun is the single biggest indicator that a child will grow up to enjoy a happier and more successful life – **more than their family circumstances, their parents' educational backgrounds or their income!**

But here's the challenge, reading is at an all-time low, **with only 1 in 3 children** now saying they enjoy reading. We believe children are more likely to read if they enjoy it, so we want to encourage them to see reading as an entertaining, social, and fun thing to do. We want all our children to grow up with a life-long, life-changing habit of reading for fun, and all the benefits this brings.

Spending just 10 minutes a day reading and sharing stories with children can make a crucial difference to their future success and it is fun for all involved.

On Thursday 27th February we “kick started” World Book Day with an amazing visit to wonderful Cookstown Library! The pupils enjoyed listening to superb stories, participating in a fabulous quiz, and creating their own bookmarks. We all had a super time!

On Thursday 6th March we, like hundreds of other schools across the UK, will spend the day celebrating **READING!**

We have decided not to ask the children to dress up this year to spare any additional expense to parents and families. The children will have a wonderful time in school.

They will have opportunities to:

- **Bring in their favourite story book.**
- **Read stories every day with the children and completing reading activities on that book.**
 - **Read to younger members of our school.**
 - **Listen to stories being read by celebrities.**
 - **Sharing favourite books.**
 - **Arts and craft activities on stories.**

Keep an eye on Class DOJO/ FB and lissanps.com to see the wonderful things we get up to!

SHARED EDUCATION

What is Shared Education?

Shared Education provides opportunities for children and young people from different communities and backgrounds to learn together both in and out of school. DENI 2016

This year our P5/6/7 pupils will have the opportunity to work together with pupils from Gaelscoil Eoghain and Donaghey PS for curriculum-based collaboration through shared programmes of work.

The aim of the programme is to promote reconciliation through building relationships and sharing a variety of learning experiences. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet other children, share ideas and have lots of fun in an educational setting while learning new skills.

The P5/6/7 will have their first Shared Education Day on Thursday 6th March.

Please keep an eye on Class Dojo, FB and lissanps.com for more details.



**Shared
Education**



**Wednesday 5th March is Ash Wednesday,
the beginning of Lent.**

All pupils will receive their ashes in school.



St. Patrick's Day Celebrations

On Friday 14th March we will celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a wonderful assembly and morning of dance and music. The children are welcome to wear their own clothes to school that day (hopefully something green if they have something at home) and contribute £1 to school funds.

**School will be closed for the Bank Holiday on
Monday 17th March 2025**

Many thanks!

