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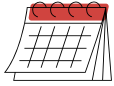
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CHILD PROTECTION -

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Mrs McGuckin

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Dates For The Diary

- Mon 3rd June - Woodhall Week (P7s)
- Wed 5th June - P.1 to P.3 Sports
- Mon 10th June - P.4 to P.7 Sports Day
- Mon 10th June - Nursery farm trip
- Wed 12th June - Cambridge House Taster Day for P6s and Nursery Sports
- Thurs 13th June - Academy Taster Day for P.6s, Coaching 4 Christ Boys Tournament and P2 Trip to Portglenone Forest
- Fri 14th June - P.7 to their new schools
- Mon 17th June - Sponsored Walk
- Mon 17th June - Nursery Stay and Play
- Tues 18th June - Nursery Stay and Play
- Wed 19th June - End of term disco (times to follow)
- Thurs 20th and Fri 21st June - P.1 Stay and Play
- Fri 21st June - Activ 8 Cullybackey - P.6
- Mon 24th June - Prize Day and P.7 last day



Pupils of the Month

P1KC - Macie	P4AT - Johnny
P1KH - Emily-Jane	P5MA -Robbie R
P2JT - Nate	P5LM - Cassie
P2AM - Ellis	P6JDT - Charley
P3CM - Lexi	P6BE - Emily
P3CMC - Anna	P7SG - Katie
P4LK - Rex	P7JH - Lacey

Attendance: P4AT Uniform: P1KC

Playground Awards: P1-P4 - P2AM
P5 -P7 - P7JH

On Time, Down Time:

Accelerated Reader: P4/5 - P4AT

Most tests over 85% P6/7 - P7JH



Online Safety



Search Engines: Sometimes, innocent searches can lead to not so innocent results. If you're worried, remember to do the following:

- Make sure the content your child sees online is appropriate for their age by using parental controls and filters in search engines like [Google](#), [Yahoo](#) and [Bing](#).
- Make sure you have set parental controls on the home broadband and devices.
- Use a safe and child friendly search engine such as Kiddle - a visual search engine for kids, offering safe kids web, image, and video searches. Results are vetted by editors. Kiddle is an excellent resource for 6-12 year olds.

Young Enterprise



This term Emma from Young Enterprise visited P5LM to deliver the Our City programme. We enjoyed learning all about the different features of a city and had a go at building our own. We developed financial skills that we might need in the future, including when to save money and when to spend it.

Girls & Games

This event was a great success with over 100 girls attending with a female relative. Popular activities involved the girls getting hair, nails and tattoos done. The inflatables were in high demand as usual as was the ice-cream van. It was also great to see lots of girls taking part in the football games organised by the Coaching for Christ team.

Sponsored Walk



On the 17th June we will be completing a 'Walk for Water', with the pupils and staff from St Brigid's Primary School to raise funds to support 'Stand by Me' children in Ethiopia. By walking around the grounds of the ECOS Centre, carrying Jerry cans we will see what life is like for lots of boys and girls who journey down to a river or well to collect the water they need for each day which is often dirty. This walk will take place at the start of our 'Take 5' week in school and will be the perfect way to Be Active, Give money to a charity, Connect with our friends, Take Notice of our surroundings and to Keep Learning about what life is like for children in Ethiopia. More details will follow soon.

Netball Tournament

The netball team attended a tournament where they played 5 matches against Clough, Camphill, Dunclug PS, Fourtowns and Carniny. The standard this year was very high and our girls played extremely well. Matches were tight and scores were very close. We secured one win, a draw and 3 losses. Well done to the girls for all of their efforts and for demonstrating high levels of teamwork and sportsmanship!



Girls' Football

The girls' football team took part in the BPSFA 8-a-side Cup recently. Finishing 3rd in the group stage with 2 wins, 2 draws and 1 defeat meant qualification for the Shield quarter-finals. The girls gave it everything in their knock-out match against St Colmcille's, but a narrow 1-0 defeat saw the team exit the competition at the quarter-final stage. Team: Lacey, Gabby, Ellie-Rose, Poppy, Ella, Emily, Emeli (2 goals), Mia (3 goals).



Coaching for Christ

Throughout the year, Coaching for Christ have been in to take each class for 4/6 sessions and to celebrate the end of this they held an annual fun day. On Wednesday 22nd May, Jess came in to speak to P1-P7 children and then on Thursday 23rd May the children enjoyed taking part in the fun day. The wind and rain didn't dampen the children's spirits as they had great fun developing their football skills and enjoyed playing matches with the coaches.

Cycling Proficiency

The children from P6 and P7 have been working extremely hard over the last number of weeks in the cycling proficiency club. They have been learning lots of new skills such as how to overtake a parked car safely, how to do an emergency stop and how to improve their balance and control when cycling. They have also been learning lots of theory, including the use of road signals and road signs.



P7 Transition

Eve (SUNI) and Craig (Ballykeel Pres) joined us for It's Your Move workshops to help us talk about transition as we move to post primary. We thought about the changes, choices and challenges we will face and how we can navigate our way in a new environment. Lots of us were worrying about the same things or wondering about asking the same questions, so this was a great opportunity to share. We looked at characters from the Bible, David and Daniel, and thought about how God helped them in their choices, changes and challenges. We saw how God was faithful to these men and how He guided and helped them through their difficult times. Eve shared Joshua 1 verse 9 with us: Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go. This verse shows that in all situations, God will be with us.