

November Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

Fri 25th Oct

PTA Fundraiser—Break the Rules

28th Oct—1st Nov

Half term

Mon 4th Nov

Children return to school

Thur 5th Dec

Year 1 and 2 Christmas Showcase

Tue 10th Dec

Christmas dinner and Jumper Day

Wed 11th Dec

Banyan Theatre Company

Wed 18th Dec

Carol service

Fri 20th Dec

End of term—School closes at 12 noon

Dear Parents,

We hope this newsletter finds you well. As we move into the festive season, we have a few important updates and reminders to share with you.



PTA Fundraiser

Our PTA is organizing a fun and engaging fundraiser with two exciting activities:

- **Halloween Puzzle Sheets:** Test your knowledge and have fun with the whole family! All sheets must be returned to the office with the entry fee by Wednesday 23rd October. Winners will be announced before the Half Term break.

Break the Rules Day:

On October 25th, students can participate in “Break the Rules Day” by making a small donation £1-£3. They can enjoy activities like wearing non-uniform clothes/costume, bringing a toy to school, or having a crazy hair day.



Parent Survey

We value your feedback and would like to hear your thoughts on various aspects of school life. Please take a few minutes to complete our **Parent Survey**. Your input helps us improve and provide the best possible experience for your children. The survey link will be sent via the School App, at the end of this week, and will be open until Sunday 3rd November.

Car Park Safety

For the safety of all our students, please adhere to the following car park guidelines:

- **Speed Limit:** 5 mph within the school grounds.
- **Drop-off Zone:** Use the designated drop-off area and avoid parking in this zone.
- Please do not block entries and exits or other road users.

Pedestrian Areas: Be mindful of children walking through the car park and always give way to pedestrians. We have cut back the bushes on the zebra crossing but it can still be difficult to see children there.

Active Walking to School

We encourage families to consider walking to school as a healthy and environmentally friendly option. Walking to school helps reduce traffic congestion and promotes physical activity. If you live too far to walk the entire way, consider parking a short distance from the school and walking the rest.



School Uniform

We kindly remind all parents to ensure that children come to school in the correct uniform everyday. If children are doing PE they should still wear their uniform and change for the activity.

This includes:

- **Uniform:** Green jumper with the school crest, white polo shirt, grey trousers or skirt, and black shoes.
- **PE Kit:** White t-shirt, navy or black shorts, and trainers.



Please label all items with your child's name to prevent any mix-ups.

Foodbank Support

We understand that some families may be facing extreme financial difficulties. We would like to bring to your attention to the availability of the Foodbank at Star of the Sea—Wednesdays 3pm-6pm and Fridays 6pm-9pm. This can be accessed by anyone in need in the Eglinton community.

Christmas Events

The festive season is approaching, and we have several exciting events planned:

Christmas Fair: Join us on Thursday 28th November for our annual Supper with Santa PTA event. There will be games, stalls, and hopefully a visit from Santa!

More details will follow after the half term break.

Year 1 and 2 Christmas Showcase: Our Year 1 and 2 students will be performing their Christmas show on Thursday 5th December at 1:30pm. Parents are welcome to attend. More details will follow.



Banyan Theatre visit: Instead of the pantomime visit this year, the whole school will be treated to a Banyan Theatre performance of 'The Elves and the Shoemaker', on Wednesday 11th December. This has been gifted to the children by one of our families. I'm sure you will join with me in sending our thanks!



Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day: On Tuesday 10th December, children can wear their favourite Christmas jumper to school and enjoy a festive lunch.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to celebrating the festive season with you and your children.