



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 30th January 2026

1. School Development Priorities 2025-26

Every year, as part of our wider school development programme, we identify three key areas that we want to see improved. Information taken from pupils, parents and staff surveys help us identify which priorities we should adopt. Data taken from school assessments and teaching evaluations is also used to decide.

OUR SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

In 2025-2026
our school is
working on



Improving the
HEALTH &
WELLBEING of
everyone in our
school

Making sure
learners get the
help they need,
step by step
(Graduated Response)

Making reading
easier and more
enjoyable for
everyone

2. PSA Valentine's Day Colouring Competition



One winner from P1-P4
and one winner from P5-
P7

Starts Monday
26th January and ends
Thursday 5th February

3. P5 Forest Schools

Over the last two weeks Primary 5 children had the opportunity to take part in some fantastic Forest School sessions. During one of the sessions the children got to learn about different habitats of a variety of animals followed by working in small groups to make their very own den. The final session involved the children being introduced to whittling after they sawed some pieces of hazel wood. From these pieces of wood, the boys and girls got to make their own characters. You can't beat the great outdoors!



4. Big Garden Clean Up



5. Medics in Primary School

Over the past couple of months, Primary 7 have been working with Queen's University, Belfast's 'Medics in Primary School' team to develop teaching and learning of the Human Body in Primary School. The P7s have thoroughly enjoyed working with Mr McNally and were very sad to see him leave on Thursday after his final session.



6. Cregagh Primary School Time Team

Sharing two old school photos proved very popular last week, with lots of parents and grandparents being able to explain who was who. I was contacted by a gentleman who attended the school in the 1950/60s and who shared this brilliant photograph from around 1959.



If you have any old Cregagh Primary School photographs and would be willing to share them, please send scanned or photographed copy to: info@cregaghps.belfast.ni.sch.uk



Tuesday 10 th – Friday 13 th February	Half-term break (4 school days)
Tuesday 10 th February	School Development Day 3 (no pupils)
Tuesday 17 th March 2026	St. Patrick's Day – all children go home at 1pm on this day.
Friday 27 th March	Spring Term Ends (12 noon finish all pupils)
Monday 30 th March – Friday 10 th April	Easter Holiday (10 school days)
Monday 13 th April	New term (summer) commences
Monday 4 th May	Early May Bank Holiday
Friday 22 nd May	School Development Day 4 (no pupils)
Monday 25 th May	Spring Bank Holiday
Monday 15 th June	School Development Day 5 (no pupils)
Tuesday 30 th June	Term ends (summer) (12 noon finish all pupils)

