



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 19th June 2026

1. CREGAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL AND DEAF UNIT CELEBRATES SUCCESS AND SAYS THANK YOU

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CREGAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL AND DEAF UNIT CELEBRATES SUCCESS & SAYS A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU ...

Today, we enjoyed our final assembly of the 2025–2026 school year at Cregagh Primary School and Deaf Unit. Our school hall was packed with parents, grandparents, governors, friends and supporters as we gathered to celebrate the achievements, hard work and success of our wonderful girls and boys throughout the year. Gold and Super Gold Awards were presented, alongside High Attendance Awards, recognising the effort, commitment and perseverance shown by so many pupils.

A particularly special part of the morning was the opportunity to honour Mrs Maureen Kenny, who retires at the end of June after 39 years of faithful service to our school as a valued member of our cleaning and caretaking team. Throughout those years, Maureen has been far more than a member of staff – she has been a cherished part of the Cregagh family and is held in great affection by pupils, colleagues and parents alike.

To mark her retirement, Maureen was presented with a bouquet of flowers and a specially engraved cut-glass commemorative award. In her remarks, she thanked everyone for their friendship, kindness and encouragement over many years, spoke warmly of how much she had loved working in the school, and shared her best wishes to all of the children for the future. She will be greatly missed by everyone in our school community.

We were also delighted to welcome one of our Governors, Rev. Robin Aicken, who spoke thoughtfully and encouragingly about the importance of placing our trust in God as we step into the future. His message was particularly relevant for our Primary 7 pupils as they prepare to leave us and begin an exciting new chapter in post-primary education. His timely and uplifting address was warmly appreciated by pupils and adults alike.

Principal Mr Heggarty also took the opportunity to thank parents, governors and staff for their continued support, dedication and hard work in helping to make Cregagh Primary School and Deaf Unit the success story that it is today. He acknowledged the vital contribution of the entire school community and expressed his appreciation for the partnership and commitment that continue to benefit the children in the school's care.

Proceedings drew to a close with the singing of our school anthem, bringing a memorable and uplifting morning to a fitting conclusion.

Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the event. Most importantly, congratulations to all of the girls and boys of Cregagh Primary School and Deaf Unit. Your hard work, positive attitudes and achievements throughout the year have made us immensely proud. You are a credit to your families, your community and your school.





This year,
OUR WHOLE
SCHOOL

took part in the
CREST AWARDS!

They all took part in a
series of **SCIENCE ACTIVITIES**
to spark curiosity and
encourage them to
EXPLORE THE WORLD
around them in
fun and **engaging** ways!



**CREST
AWARDS**

3. Power-Up Celebration

Some of our amazing children completed the 8 week Power Up programme with Julie, our school counsellor, today. This programme was designed to help pupils build confidence, resilience and use practical tools for learning.

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend to celebrate the 'Power Up' graduation and a big congratulations to the children for completing this programme!



4. P5 Shared Education



P5 had their final Share Education Day on Wednesday at St. Bernard's Primary School, where they teamed up with children from Lisnasharragh Primary School and St. Bernard's Primary School to take part in a morning of sport. The children got to do yoga, martial arts, play 'Hungry Hippos' and take part in fun team games facilitated by M.R. Sports. What a fantastic day for building new friendships and getting active!

IMPORTANT DATES



Wednesday 24 th June	Last Day for P7s - normal 3pm finish time
Thursday 25 th June	P7 Awards Evening at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church , Rosetta (the "White Church"). Mr. Larmour will confirm times directly with P7 families.
Friday 26 th June	Foundation Stage (P1 & P2) Prize Morning
Tuesday 30 th June	Term ends (summer) (12 noon finish all pupils)



LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD ...



New School Year 2026/2027 (Main School Holidays)

Wednesday 26th August	NEW SCHOOL YEAR COMMENCES - TERM ONE 12 noon finish all pupils (staff training)
Thursday 27 th August	12 noon finish all pupils (staff training)
Friday 28 th August	12 noon finish for pupils (staff training)
Monday 31 August	August Bank Holiday (School closure)
Tuesday 1 st September	First full day for pupils
Wednesday 2 nd September	Meet the Teacher , 1:45pm-3:00pm Sharing of important information for all P2-P7 parents about the school year ahead. Assembly hall & classrooms.
Monday 26 th – Friday 30 th October	Halloween Holidays (5 school days)
Monday 21 st December – Monday 4 th January 2027	Christmas Holidays (11 school days)
Thursday 25 th March – Friday 2 nd April	Easter Holidays (7 school days)
Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June	Spring Bank Holiday & Half-term Break (5 school days) <i>Unusually, the school calendar enables this longer break in 2027</i>

A full school holiday list for pupils 2026-2027 is attached





SCHOOL HOLIDAY LIST FOR PUPILS 2026-27

Autumn Term (2026)

New Term Commences:	Wednesday 26th August (12 noon finish all pupils)
Thursday 27 th August:	12 noon finish all pupils
Friday 28 th August:	12 noon finish for pupils
Monday 31 August:	August Bank Holiday (School closure)
Tuesday 1 st September:	First full day for pupils
Friday 25 th September:	TransformEd Day 1 (no pupils)
Halloween Holidays:	Monday 26 th – Friday 30 th October (5 school days)
Autumn Term Ends:	Friday 18 th December (12 noon finish for all pupils)
Christmas Holidays:	Monday 21 st December – Monday 4 th January (11 school days)
Staff Development Day:	Tuesday 5 th January (no pupils)

Spring Term 2027

New Term Commences:	Wednesday 6 th January (first day of Term 2 for pupils)
TransformEd Day 2:	Monday 25 th January (no Pupils)
Half-Term Holidays:	Monday 8 th - Friday 12 th February (5 school days)
St. Patrick's Day:	Wednesday 17 th March (12 noon finish all pupils due to School's Cup being played at Stadium)
Spring Term Ends:	Wednesday 24 th March (12 noon finish all pupils)
Easter Holidays:	Thursday 25 th March – Friday 2 nd April (7 school days)

Summer Term 2027

New Term Commences:	Monday 5 th April
Early May Bank Holiday:	Monday 3rd May (school closed)
TransformEd Day 3:	Tuesday 4th May (no pupils)
Spring Bank Holiday:	Monday 31 st May (school closed)
Half-Term Break:	Tuesday 1st – Friday 4 th June (4 school days) *
Summer Term Ends:	Wednesday 30 th June (12 noon finish for all pupils)

**Unusually, the school holiday calendar for 2026-27 has enabled a full week of holiday for children Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June 2027.*



SCHOOL UNIFORM 2026-27

Standard Uniform	
GIRLS	BOYS
Navy, red, yellow or green sweatshirt* (with school badge)	
Light blue, red, yellow or green polo shirt* (with or without school badge)	
<i>*Sweater & polo shirt colours can be mixed & matched as desired</i>	
Grey skirt or dark grey trousers	Dark grey trousers
Grey or black tights or grey/white socks	Grey or black socks
Black shoes (flat heels) or black trainers	Black shoes or black trainers

Summer Uniform (optional)	
GIRLS	BOYS
Light blue, red, yellow or green polo shirt (with or without school badge)	
Dark grey school shorts	Dark grey school shorts
Navy, red, yellow or green checked cotton dress	-
Navy cardigan (with or without school badge)	-

P.E. Kit	
P1-P7 Indoor P.E.	Black plimsolls
	Navy shorts (with or without school badge) White or light blue t-shirt (with or without school badge)
P1-P7 Outdoor P.E.	Trainers
	Navy shorts (with or without school badge) <u>or</u> tracksuit bottoms (with or without school badge) White or light blue t-shirt (with or without school badge) School sweater (with school badge)

- All uniform must be clearly labelled/marked with child's name & checked throughout the year as labels & markers wear off!
- Uniform available from: The Signature Works, Castlereagh Business Park, Unit 5b, 478 Castlereagh Road, Belfast BT5 6BQ & ONLINE at: cregaghprimary.thesignatureworks.co.uk