



Halloween Closures

School closed Friday 2nd October

Halloween Holidays Monday 26th - Friday 30th October

P5 Holy Communion

An historic day in the life of Stewartstown took place on Saturday 26th September when our P5 children made their First Holy Communion. The weather was beautiful, the ceremony was faultless and the children were amazing. Well done to all involved!

New School Day Guidance

We have put in place many alterations to the school day, many of which you and the children may not notice but we have to say, that the children have adapted to them remarkably well. They really have to be given credit for the way that they have all settled. Teething problems with any new changes are inevitable and I would ask that you adhere closely to the revised drop off/pick up times we have in place for our full return to school. Please note revisions to collection times from **5th October**.

From 5th October: P1 & 2 collected at 1:45pm and P3 collected at 2pm

Please also reinforce with your child the 'Catch it, Bin it, Kill it' messages with your children.

Thank you to all who have downloaded the Class Dojo App. We will be using this as the main means of communicating with you about what your child (ren), the class they are in and any whole school messages. Please like and comment on the App as much as possible.

The School Website has also had an update with any new information coming from the Department of Education and Health posted as quickly as possible. Please check in from time to time or download the 'School App' to get updates directly to your phone.

Coach Ryan

Wednesdays will continue as PE day, where children come to school dressed in their PE gear. This programme with Ryan Daly has been made possible by Stewartstown Harps who have funded Ryan's work with the school. We are extremely grateful for their support and for Ryan's motivation and skill with the children.

Birthdays Celebrations in October

Adam Devlin

Lila Rose Taggart

Sophia Dillon

Kye Taggart

Mrs B Hamill

Mrs O Duffy

Full Attendance

Despite Covid, and the usual seasonal coughs and runny noses we have noticed that September was actually a great month for attendance at school. Well done to those who made it to school every day and on time. This year we will have February as a focus for full attendance. All pupils must be in school each day and stay the full school day in order to reap the rewards.

Dates for your Diary

Parent and Teacher Meetings will be via telephone this year. Starting the week beginning Monday 12th October, your child's class teacher will make arrangements with you through the Class Dojo app.

P7 Pupils

P7 Mentors and our new temporary school council will be meeting this month to see what changes they can make to the school. Their input into new ways that we can virtually get together will be valuable. Unfortunately, we have been unable to gather as a school for assembly or celebrations and also simply mix as a school. However, we will be listening to what the P7 class have to suggest for the year ahead.

DATES FOR THE OCTOBER DIARY

Date	Event
2nd	School Closed
6th	Traditional Music P4-7
7 th	Coach Ryan GAA skills
8th & 9th	Piano lessons

Wednesdays remains PE uniform day

FLU VACCINE

Flu Vaccine consent forms will be issued shortly. Thank you to all parents who sent in their completed Flu Vaccine forms. The vaccine will be given nasally – a quick sniff up each nostril and that's it! The school health team are due with us on **Monday 9th November**. (please note change of date)

School Photographs

School photos will be taken on **Thursday 15th October**.

The school will be issued with a **code for the parents to Pre-Register** so they can view their child's photos online when ready. The school will share this through Class Dojo App.

The Pre-Registration does away with the need for paper proofs keeping it a Covid safe paperless system, you can view the work of the photographer here www.shopmarkmcgrogan.com

If you would like a family group of children in school, please inform your eldest child's class teacher through the Class Dojo App.



OCTOBER SCHOOL MEALS



	Week com:28 th Sept	Week com:5 th October	Week com:12 th Oct	Week com; 19 th Oct
Monday	Savoury Mince Chicken Goujons Peas and Corn Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Shortbread Fruit and Custard	Pasta bolognaise and Garlic Bread Oven Baked Sausage Carrots & peas Mashed potatoes & gravy Fruit sponge cake	Irish Stew Chicken Goujons Peas and Turnip Mashed Potatoes /Gravy/Pasta Chocolate Muffin and Custard	Savoury Mince Fish Fingers Peas and Carrots Mashed Pots/Gravy/Pasta Semolina and Fruit
Tuesday	Fish Fingers Chicken Chilli Wrap Peas/Beans/Pasta Chips /Mashed Pots/Gravy Chocolate Muffin Cake and Custard	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Peppered Beef and Rice Peas & sweetcorn Chips & mashed potatoes Apple crumble Custard	Steak Burger and Bap Tuna Wraps Chips/Pasta/Pots/Gravy Peas and Beans Shortbread/Flakemeal and Custard	Pepperoni or Cheese and Tomato Pizza Chicken Pasta Bake Peas and Corn/Pasta Chips/Mashed Pots/Gravy Swiss Roll and Custard
Wednesday	Roast Chicken Stuffing Chicken Chilli Wraps Carrots/Peas Mashed Pots/Gravy/Pasta Swiss Roll and Custard	Chicken Curry Rice Fish Fingers/Salmon Bites Baked Beans/Peas Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Jelly and Fruit	Peppered Chicken and Rice Fish Fingers Peas /Beans Mashed Pots /Gravy/Pasta Rice Pudding and Fruit	Roast Chicken/Stuffing or Chicken Chilli Wraps Carrots/Peas/Gravy Pasta/Mashed Pots Chocolate Sponge and Custard
Thursday	Hot Dog Tuna Roll Chips/Pasta/Mashed Pots /Gravy Mixed Salad Frozen Mousse and Fruit	Roast Turkey & Stuffing or Chicken Chilli Wrap Carrots and Broccoli Mashed Pots/Gravy/Pasta Chocolate Cookie and Custard	Roast Chicken Chilli Chicken Wraps Broccoli and Carrots Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Krispie Square and Custard	Home-made Veg and Chicken Soup Butcher Burger and Bap Selection of Bread Onions/Salad/Cheese Jelly and Fruit
Friday	School Holiday	Chicken Nuggets (oven baked) Tuna Wraps Mixed Salad/Sweetcorn Chips/Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Artic Roll and Fruit	OCTOBER SPECIAL Cocktail Sausages Mini Pizza Salad Bar/Pasta Diced Cubes Ice-Cream Tub and Fruit	HALLOWEEN BRUNCH Grilled Bacon Sausage Scrambled Eggs/Beans/Toast Diced Cubes Frozen Mousse and Fruit