TOREAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Child Protection/Safeguarding Team

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The weather has been kind to us this week. Hopefully this will continue.

Thank you to everyone who completed the parent questionnaire. We will be considering any suggestions or comments made, over the next few weeks.

One recurring theme is school dinners. I totally agree that dinners should be available to all children, however this is not something I have control over. I, on behalf of the Governors, have on many occasions contacted the Education Authority School Meals Service, the Department of Education, the Education Minister at that time and local councillors concerning this.

I have contacted the Education Minister, Paul Givan and asked that he visit our school to see our facilities and the need for a hall/servery space. I would ask that you do so too: <u>paul.givan@niassembly.gov.uk</u>

School Pantomime

P5- 7 will be presenting Cinderella Rockafella on the evenings of Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th June in Raloo Presbyterian Church Hall. This will be a biannual event. We have recently started rehearsing. More details will follow.

Take 5

We have signed up for the Take 5 Whole School Wellbeing Programme by HSC Public Health Agency. Staff will be receiving training next week.

Primary 7

Since Easter P7 have been working on areas to help them towards transition to Post – Primary. So far, we have been looking at different scenarios the children might come across, how to make the right decision for them, how everyone is different and how some of the differences might not be visible eg, dyslexia, autism, Tourette's.

As part of this, I hope to address puberty. The information will be in the form of a power point presentation used by the school nursing group. If you would like your child to be included, I need your permission. A permission slip will be given to your child next week.

Monday 29th April 2024

Last day of swimming for P6 & P7.

Friends of Toreagh

Meeting in Mrs Ellison's room at 2.00pm. If you would like to join, please speak to Mrs Ellison. Everyone is welcome at the meeting.

Monday 6th

Spring Bank Holiday – school closed.

Thursday 9th May 2024

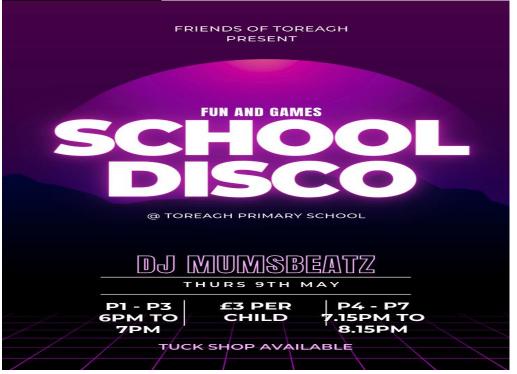
School photographs will be taken. The photographs will be taken outside and therefore weather dependent. This is our one and only day and therefore we hope the weather will be kind.

Individual and family photographs of children within the school will be taken. We will also be taking class photographs.

School uniform should be worn. Shirt and school tie can be worn, but as we are aware that some people do not have these items, children may wear their white t-shirt, school sweatshirt, trousers/skirt and school shoes. P7 should wear their normal school sweatshirt on this day (no hoodies please.)

Should you wish, school ties are available from the office at a cost of £5.00. Arrangements for purchasing the photos will be through the photographer only and information will be sent out at a later date.

Just to make you aware, we are hoping to change the time of year when we take the 2024/2025 school year photographs. We plan to book a date in October 2024.



Thursday 9th May 2024

Monday 20th May 2024

SEAG - Registration opens at 8.00am for parents of P6 children wishing to enter their child for the Autumn 2024 test. For further information go to <u>www.seagni.co.uk</u>

Thursday 23rd May 2024

Football tournament at Inver Park 1pm -3pm. We need at least 3 parents to help transport the children. A police check is necessary.

Friday 24th May 2024

Sports Day – weather permitting, details will follow. The P7s have started organising this and are looking forward to being team leaders.

Monday 27th -Friday 31st May 2024 (inclusive) Bank Holiday & school holiday- school closed.

Wednesday 5th June 2024 P6 stem day at Larne High School – further details will be issued.

<u>Friday 7th June 2024</u> Larne Hockey Tournament at Larne Grammar. Details to follow. We need at least 2 parents to help transport the children. A police check is necessary.

C L Morrow Principal

27.04.2024



May 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

RE: Common Entrance Assessments by the Schools' Entrance Assessment Group

The Board of Governors of Ballyclare High School plans to use the Schools' Entrance Assessment Group tests next year as part of the admissions criteria for entry to Ballyclare High School for the academic year beginning September 2025.

Registration for the tests opened on 20th May 2024 and closes on 20th September 2024. Application forms can be completed online via SEAG website (www.seagni.co.uk).

There are two stages to this process:

Stage 1: You (as a parent/carer of your child) register yourself on the SEAG website.

Stage 2: Having completed a Parent/Carer Registration for yourself you will then be able to make a Pupil Application, on the website, to register your child to sit the Entrance Assessment.

We will accommodate 300 pupils to sit the tests at Ballyclare High School on 16th November and 23rd November. There will also be an optional practice test on 9th November 2024 to allow your child to become familiar with the school before the actual assessment Saturdays. Places at this centre will be allocated on a first come first served basis as part of the online registration process.

The School will also hold an information event for P6 parents/carers on Tuesday 21st May 2024 from 6.30 – 7.15pm. There will be a short power-point presentation and senior staff will be on hand to answer any specific questions you may have. I look forward to the opportunity of seeing you at that meeting so if it is your intention to attend please scan the QR code below and complete the registration form.

20th May 2024 Registration opens 20th Sept 2024 Registration closes 9th Nov 2024 Practice Test 16th Nov 2024 1st Assessment 23th Nov 2024 2nd Assessment 25th Jan 2025 Results



Dr M Rainey Principal





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Carnfunnock Country Park Sunday 5th and Monday 6th May Alternative 3pm States 2 per activity sheet

Join Alice in her dreams, down the rabbit hole and into Wonderland 🔆

Head into the walled garden (owned by the Queen of Hearts ♥ of course) and help Alice find her way back home, meeting many interesting characters along the way ●●

Solve the clues and get Alice back to her sister on the riverbank! Hand in your hard work and receive your well earned reward from the visitor centre! \checkmark

All children must be accompanied by an adult

Contact: Carnfunnock Country Park 028 2826 2471