

TOREAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Child Protection/Safeguarding Team

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It is hard to believe we have reached half term. Where has the time gone! Hopefully the weather will allow us all to get outside and have fun!

Crawfordsburn Residential Trip P6 & P7

Wednesday 11th June – Friday 13th June 2025

The total cost of the trip is £250 (£225 as deposit has been paid) approximately, this may be paid in full or by instalments. If you wish to pay by instalments, money should be brought to school on a Monday. Cheques should be made payable to Toreagh Primary School. **All money must be paid in full by Friday 11th April 2025.**

After School Activities

Block 3 of After School Activities will end on Thursday 20th February 2025.

School Policies

There are a range of school policies on our website, please have a little look at these, as they are updated from time to time.

The Relationship and Sexuality has been updated and includes what is being taught in each Key Stage.

Safer Internet Day

This year Safer Internet Day is happening on Tuesday 11th February 2025. As we are off on half term that day, we had special assemblies and class activities today to mark this special day. This year's theme is:

"Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online"

So much of our life is spent online these days and it is important that we (home and school) support and prepare children to engage in this online world. Perhaps over half term, take a few minutes to chat to your child about what they did or learnt in school about scamming. Further information regarding this year's theme can be found here –

For ages 3 to 7 years old, click here.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2025/tips-for-parents-and-carers>

For ages 8 to 11 years old, click here.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2025/tips-for-7-11-year-olds>

As always if you have any questions, please contact Ms Wells on ywells497@c2kni.net

SAFER SCHOOLS NI APP

To login to the app you will need the following parent code, 4433. You can find the app on the Google Play Store or Apple App Store for the latest app update as we see this as a useful tool for both staff and parents when keeping our pupils safe online.

If you would rather connect via the necessary QR code, this link should take you to it.

<https://deni.blob.core.windows.net/qrcodes/ToreaghPrimary/DENI7705AE3D915E4F10B0ADE45C56B2522C-ParentCarerPrimary.jpg>

If you would like any further guidance or help on this app, please speak to or email Mrs Wells on ywells497@c2kni.net.

P7 Key Dates

Date	Activity
Thursday 5 December 2024	Admissions criteria for Post Primary Schools published on the EA website.
Tuesday 28 January 2025 - at 12noon	EA Connect opens for online applications for Post Primary.
Thursday 20 February 2025 - at 12 noon	EA Connect closes for online applications for Post Primary.
	Final date for late applications.
Tuesday 25 February 2025 – by 4pm	Final date/time for Change of Preference in Exceptional Circumstances. Final date for documents in support of applications.
Saturday 10 May 2025	Parents/carers will receive application outcome via email (where one is held) or by letter.

Diary Dates

Monday 10th – Friday 14th February 2025 (inclusive)
Half Term Holiday – school closed.

Thursday 20th February 2025
Post Primary Application Portal closes at 12 noon.

Monday 10th March 2025
P1 Health Appraisals with School Nurse

Monday 10th March – Thursday 13th March

Parent Interviews P1-6

School will close at 1pm for everyone. Interviews will be in person.

Monday 17th March 2025

Staff Development Day – no children to attend.

C L Morrow
Principal

7.02.2025

Friends of Toreagh Meeting Minutes – 17th January 2025

In Attendance: Mrs Ellison, Anne-Marie Lyttle, Arlene Long, Carolyn Hall, Joanne McCammond, Megan Shaw, Lynda McAnally

Apologies: Emma Hunter, Ashleigh Magee

Agenda:

- Review of last term fundraising
- Pub quiz
- Mother's Day Sale
- Wonka Bars
- Family Games Night
- Spring/Summer Disco
- School Fete
- Leavers Colour run
- Pumpkin Patch
- AOB

Due to a great term of fundraising we are very pleased that we are in a position to look into an interactive whiteboard for one classroom . Mrs Wells looking into a price.

Pub Quiz

- Around end of February
- Possibly Sixty Six (Billy Andys)
- JM to get questions
- MS to be quizmaster / JM to mark questions
- Small Raffle

Mother's Day Sale – Friday 28th March

- Need 8-10 access NI volunteers
- Mrs Ellison will be putting on school note for donations

World Book Day – Friday 7th March – WONKA BARS

- MS & AM have acquired donations of 160 chocolate bars
- Chocolate bars will cost £2 per bar limited to 1 bar per child
- JM & MS to print sleeves & tickets
- FOT members to look into acquiring prizes

Family Games Night – 28th April or 5th May

- MS to ask Raloo Church Hall
- Possibly a Beetle drive
- To be discussed further at next meeting

NO SPRING /SUMMER DISCO – games night instead

Pumpkin Patch –

- MS to order pumpkins in June for October

After the huge success of the School Leavers colour run last year, FOT will fund it again this year

SCHOOL FETE & SPORTS DAY TO BE DISCUSSED AT NEXT MEETING - 28th Feb

Joanne McCammond

Other Information



Northern Health
and Social Care Trust



Children's Occupational Therapy Sensory Regulation Parent Workshops

The Children's Occupational Therapy Service invites you as a parent/carer to attend a Sensory Regulation Parent Workshop.

YOUR CHILD SHOULD NOT ATTEND THIS SESSION.

The presentation will be provided by Occupational Therapists. Parents are welcome to speak to the therapists and ask questions at the end of the session. It will last approximately **2.5 hours** with a short break in the middle. After this workshop, your child will not need to be seen by Occupational Therapy unless a further request for support is indicated.

Advice leaflets will be available for you to take home.

You do not need to book and you do not need to make a referral to Occupational Therapy to attend. The dates are as follows:

Tuesday 14th January 2025- 6.30pm

Dobbs room, Carrickfergus Town Hall, 2B Joymount, Carrickfergus BT38 7DN
(please enter via gates on Antrim Street)

Tuesday 11th March 2025- 10:00am

Farrenshane House 1 Ballygore Rd, Antrim BT41 2RN

Tuesday 13th May 2025 – 10am

Ballymena North 120 Cushendall Rd, Ballymena BT43 6HB

Tuesday 3rd June 2025- 10am

Involve House, 18 Queen Street, Magherafelt, BT45 6AB

If you would prefer to watch a recording of the presentation at home, scan the QR code below.



Sensory Processing Webinar - Zoom
northerntrust-hscni.zoom.us



Kids Yoga & Mindfulness Classes

The children will explore yoga, breath work, relaxation, and mindfulness techniques, supported by props, crafts and stories, in a fun and nurturing environment.

Location: Wildflower Yogi, 66 Main Street, Larne

★ Classes for ages 4-7 ★

Tuesday's 3.30-4.30pm

Thursday's 3.15-4.15pm

★ Classes for ages 8-11 ★

Wednesday's 3.30-4.30pm

£45 for 6-week block
New block starting WB 17th Feb

To book go to: www.wildfloweryogi.co.uk



LARNE FOOTBALL CLUB

HALF-TERM CAMP

MON 10TH FEB - THUR 13TH FEB

10AM-1PM

FOR AGES 5 -12

Monday

Ball mastery + skills

Tuesday

Fun day with the inflatable and teams picked for World Cup with a letter from the national team.

Wednesday

World Cup day

Thursday

Fun games like 1v1s, penalty shootouts etc. joined by first-team players handing out certificates to all attendees

COFFEE AVAILABLE IN THE LOUNGE FOR PARENTS
NOTE ALL CHILDREN IN ATTENDANCE SHOULD BRING A PACKED LUNCH ALONGSIDE FOOTBALL BOOTS AND REGULAR TRAINERS.

HELD AT INVER PARK



£35 PP
OR 2 FOR £55



Join us for some Half Term Fun in Larne

Join us for some Half Term Fun in LARNE! Pop into our Pop-up Shop for some half term fun in Larne. This is a FREE event for school children to enjoy during their half term break.

Lego Animation Workshop

- Larne Pop-Up Shop 4 Upper Main Street Larne
- Wednesday 12 February, 11am-1pm | 2pm-4pm
- No Booking Required - For 7-13 Year Olds

This workshop enables children to make a complete animated Lego film on an iPad, using sound effects, visual effects, titles and lots of imagination! children will receive a copy of their film at the end of the session! They can bring their own Lego characters or use the ones supplied.

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hidden gem
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