

JUNE

NEWSLETTER

Thank You from Mrs Wright

We were delighted to celebrate Mrs Wright at a special assembly recently, marking her valued contribution to our school community. Following the event, Mrs Wright shared the following message:

"Many thanks again for today. I am truly humbled by the generosity shown by the whole school community in the gifts I received. The personalised card and keepsake book will be treasured forever. I will treat myself to some lovely jewellery, and we are already planning a visit to The Valley Hotel. Please pass on my appreciation to everyone."

We would like to thank all our families for their kindness and generosity. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Poster Competition Winners

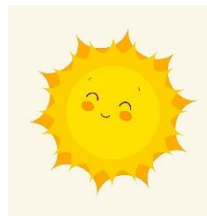


Many congratulations to our two pupils, Birdie and Lucy, who were successful in the NI Water 'What Lies Beneath' poster competition.

Lucy has already received her prize, and later this month Birdie will attend a special event to receive hers. Well done to both pupils on this wonderful achievement.

Summer term

A reminder that in sunny weather **pupils should bring a sunhat to school and have sunscreen applied at home before coming to school.** Please note that school staff will not apply sun cream to your child.



It's Your Move – SUNI



Mark Moorhead from Scripture Union Northern Ireland (SUNI) will be facilitating a transition workshop for Primary 7 pupils on **Monday 1st**

June 2026.

Activity Clubs 1 and 2

The Friday themes for the rest of term are:

Friday 5th June – Drawing tutorial

Friday 13th June – Board games

Friday 26th June – Paper birds

Please note there will be no after school clubs on Friday 19th June to enable us to prepare for our Summer Fete.

Eco Council Cash for Clobber

As an Eco initiative, led by our Eco Council, we will be supporting Cash for Clobber. Every bag of unwanted clothes and textiles promotes

CASH FOR CLOBBER

Clothing Recycling. The easy way to generate cash for your School. *we weigh. we pay.*



recycling and raises money for school funds. **Please return all bags by the morning of Monday 8th June as the lorry is arriving to collect them that day.**

ACCEPTED ITEMS	UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS
CLOTHING – Menswear, ladieswear, childrenswear. Paired shoes (tie laces to keep them paired) Bags Hats & Scarves Ties Belts Curtains Bed Linen (sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)	No BRIC 'a' BRAC No Dirty/Wet Clothing No single shoes No Bedding/cushions No Mats/Carpets

Battery Recycling Box – Help our ECO Team fill our recycling box before the end of June! Please ensure all batteries are safely bagged before sending into school. Thank you for your support.



Bee Active

Bee Active Multi-Sport Club continues on the following Wednesdays in **June: 3rd 10th 17th**. We would like to thank Ronan for taking these sessions each week – the pupils have thoroughly enjoyed them. **Please note the final session for Bee Active will be Wednesday 17th June.** A refund for those who paid for 24th June will be issued in due course.



Music Tuition

Thank you to our music tutors this year and very well done to all those pupils who have worked so hard to make progress in their instruments. A big congratulations to those who have passed grade exams – we are very proud of you!

P6/7 Swimming Lessons

P6/7 will continue swimming lessons on the following dates:

Thursday 4th, 11th June and 18th June.





Banbridge Library Visits
P3/4/5 will visit Banbridge Library on **Thursday 4th, 11th June and 18th June.**

Sports Day Practice

Pupils will have a Sports Day practice on **Monday 8th June**. All pupils should wear their PE uniform that day.

Sports Day

Our Sports Day will take place on **Tuesday 9th June at 10:00am** (weather permitting). We would love to see you come along to this event.



Pupils will go home after Sports Day – no school dinners will be served that day.

PTA Refreshments on Sports Day

Thank you to our PTA who are serving refreshments on Sports Day. Refreshments will be available to purchase from 9:30am and during the interval.



STEM Workshop

On **Wednesday 10th June**, we are very pleased to welcome back one of our past pupils, Poppie Graham, who

will deliver a STEM workshop for all pupils. Poppie now works for Thales, a company that designs advanced technology systems.

The sessions will be organised as follows:

- P1–P5 pupils – *Sphero Indi Car Session*
- P6–P7 pupils – *LEGO Spike Session*

We are very much looking forward to this exciting opportunity for our pupils to engage in hands-on STEM learning.

House Event

We are planning to host a **Team Building House Event on Tuesday 16th June**. Pupils may wear clothing in their **House colours** for the day. Please ensure that pupils wear **trainers**, as the activities will be sports-based.

We look forward to an enjoyable and active day for everyone!

School Council Bun Sale

The School Council will be holding a bun sale on **Tuesday 16th June**. Pupils will need £1 for a drink and a bun.

P1 Induction

Our new P1 pupils will be invited to school on **Thursday 18th June at 2pm**.

During that time, they will have the opportunity to meet their teachers, see their classroom and parents will receive information about starting school.



Re-Gen Waste Recycling Presentation

Pupils in **Primary 4–7** will take part in a recycling presentation delivered by **Re-Gen Waste, Newry**, on **Friday 19th June**.

This will be a valuable opportunity for pupils to learn more about recycling and the importance of caring for our environment.

Summer Fete

We are delighted to be hosting our **first Summer Fete** at school on **Friday 19th June from 6.00pm–8.00pm**.

A sincere thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time or kindly agreed to donate items—we are truly grateful for your support.

If anyone is available to help with setting up for the event, please contact the school office and we will be happy to allocate a role.



Please spread the word, as we hope this will be a **community event** as well as one for our school families.

We look forward to seeing you there!

To allow time for setting up the Summer Fete, children will finish early on Friday 19th June as follows:

P1-3 & Siblings - 1.30pm
P4-7 - 1.45pm

Aspire Shared Education Trip

Our final event with our partner schools will be a trip to Airtastic in Craigavon on **Monday 22nd June**. Pupils should bring **break and lunch** with them on this trip and wear their P.E. uniform. Aspire funding is covering the cost.

School Reports

School reports will be sent home on **Monday 22nd June**. If you would like to discuss any aspect of the written report, please contact the school office to arrange a meeting with the class teacher.

Presentation Assembly

Our Presentation Assembly will take place on **Wednesday 24th June at 10am**. All our pupils will

be taking part, and we will be saying farewell to our P7 pupils at this event. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Infinity Trip

Thank you to Logan's mum and dad for treating us all to a session in Infinity and lunch afterwards. We are so grateful for your generosity.

The trip has been planned for **Monday 29th June**. Normal drop off and pick up times apply.

School Uniform – Non-Uniform Days and Uniform Swap

Monday 29th and **Tuesday 30th June** will be non-uniform days for pupils.

If you have any items of school uniform that are no longer needed, a table will be placed outside the school on Thursday and Friday for donations. Families are welcome to leave any unwanted uniform items and to take anything they may need.

Any remaining items will be donated to the local clothing bank.

Holiday List

A list of school closures for the **2026/27 academic year** is available on the school website in the **Parents Area**.

We kindly ask that, where possible, family holidays are planned around these dates, as pupils can miss vital teaching time when absent from school.

Free School Meals/Uniform Allowance

Applications for Free School Meals and Uniform Allowance for the school year 2026/27 will be opening soon. Visit www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals-uniform-grants

Parents should aim to apply for the Free School Meals/Uniform allowance as

soon as possible so details are processed in time for the next school year. **This includes those who currently avail of this support.** If you think you may be eligible, I encourage you to apply. Your application is also of benefit to the school.



Facebook Page

Please like and share our Facebook posts as we aim to communicate life in Milltown with the wider community.



Scan the QR code to link to our Facebook page.

Breakfast Club

We are happy to report that we are hoping to run a breakfast club next term, each morning from **8am-8.40am** at a cost of **£1.50 per child per day**. More details to follow.

Morning Drop-Off

From next term, a member of staff will welcome pupils at the bottom door each morning from **8.40am-8.55am**.

We hope this will help pupils settle into the school day in a calm and positive way, while also ensuring their safety on arrival.

End of Term

Term 3 will end on **Tuesday 30th June**. **P1-3 and siblings** should be collected at **11:50am** and **P4-7** pupils at **12 noon**.

We send our very best wishes to our **Primary 7 pupils** as they move on to post-primary school – we are so proud of each and every one of you!

We wish all our pupils and families a **wonderful and relaxing summer break**.

Mrs Wilson
Acting Principal