



Principal: Mrs. Keira McCallan BA (Hons), PQH

Monday, 23rd February, 2026.

Dear Parent/Guardian,

- Please see a note below from **Eskra Community Association:**
Eskra Community Association – Public Meeting Invitation
Eskra Community Association warmly invites all members of the parish and wider community to a public meeting on **Thursday, 26th February, 2026 at 7.30pm** in **Eskra Community Centre.**

At this gathering, the committee will share an exciting vision for the development of a new community hub - a space designed to support local groups, strengthen connections and serve the needs of people of all ages.

This is an opportunity to hear the plans, offer your thoughts and consider how you might play a part in shaping the future of our community. Your voice, your ideas and your support can help drive this vision forward.

Everyone is welcome.
Let's build something great together.

- Having issued letters to local groups seeking support with fundraising for our outdoor unit, we are delighted to inform you that we have secured another extremely kind and generous donation from **Eskra Emmetts' GFC of £1000**. On behalf of our pupils, staff, parents and the Board of Governors, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Eskra Emmetts' GFC most sincerely for their amazing support.
- Next Thursday is **World Book Day**. Please see a note below from our Language and Literacy Coordinator, **Mrs. Katie Mullin:**
On **World Book Day, Thursday 5th March**, all pupils are invited to come to school dressed as an **adjective** - for example *sparkly* (glittery clothes), *spotty* (dots or stickers), *colourful* (bright rainbow colours), *sleepy* (pyjamas), *brave* (a simple cape), or *stormy* (dark clothes with cloud or lightning cut-outs).

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In addition to this throughout the month of March, children in **Years 1–3** will be taking part in our *Book-a-Day Challenge*, enjoying a new story each day to spark their love of reading.

Years 4–7 will participate in **The Great Book Showdown**, a month-long reading challenge where they complete short reviews of anything they read. Each child will receive a review booklet and if they need more pages, they can simply ask their class teacher. All completed booklets should be handed in on **Tuesday, 31st March**. We are looking forward to a wonderful month celebrating stories, imagination, and the joy of reading. See notes on our school website for more information.

- Our **After School Nature Rangers Clubs** recommence next week. Please make sure that you have registered your child as staff will only be able to accept children on their list.

Currently, the following **Nature Ranger Clubs** have been arranged.

Year 1/2: Tuesday (2.00pm – 3.00pm)

Year 3: Wednesday (3.00pm – 4.00pm)

Year 4: Thursday (3.00pm – 4.00pm)

Year 5 and Year 6: Monday (3.00pm – 4.00pm)

Year 7: Friday (3.00pm to 4.00pm)

Each session costs **£5** per pupil.

A full list of dates for each Nature Ranger Club for this term is available to view on our school website. If, for any reason, dates have to be changed, the Club leaders will inform you in advance.

Please use the link below to book your child's place.

<https://nifsa.magicbooking.co.uk/Identity/Account/Login>

Please click on the link below for further information on what to expect from our Nature Ranger Clubs.

<https://www.forestschoolsni.com/?r3d=joining-a-nature-ranger-club&>

Checkout **Forest School Families** on the **Forest School Website** – www.forestschoolsni.com and on our school website for fun ideas that all the family can get involved in in the evenings and at weekends.

- Mr. O'Brien's **After - School Multisport** sessions will resume next **Wednesday, 4th March** for **12 weeks**. If your child wishes to attend, please return the permission slip attached by Friday of this week to register your child/children.

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| Years 1 and 2 | <p style="text-align: center;">2.00pm to 2.30pm School Pitch/ Eskra Emmetts' Pitch</p> <p>Bus pupils/siblings supervised by Mrs. Barrett from 2.30pm until 3pm.</p> |
| Year 3 | <p style="text-align: center;">2.30pm to 3.00pm School Pitch/ Eskra Emmetts' Pitch</p> <p>Pupils in class with Mrs. Mullin from 2pm to 2.30pm.</p> |
| Year 4 | <p style="text-align: center;">3.00pm to 3.45pm School Pitch/ Eskra Emmetts' Pitch</p> <p>Siblings supervised from 3.45pm to 4.30pm by Miss. Devine</p> |
| Years 5, 6 and 7 | <p style="text-align: center;">3.45pm to 4.30pm School Pitch Eskra Emmetts' Pitch</p> <p>Pupils supervised by Mrs. Mulligan</p> |

***Pupils are to be collected by parents at the school, not the pitch.**

Please inform your child's Class Teacher if your child needs to be supervised on a Wednesday afternoon to 3pm or 4.30pm by a member of staff. If your child attends Playtime After – Schools, please inform the staff there of arrangements regarding your child/children in advance of **4th March**.

Please see the dates for afterschool multisport from now until the end of the current academic year. These dates are also on the school website calendar. Should we need to cancel or rearrange any of the sessions, you will be notified in advance.

- ✚ 4th March
- ✚ 11th March
- ✚ 25th March
- ✚ 15th April
- ✚ 22nd April
- ✚ 29th April
- ✚ 6th May
- ✚ 13th May
- ✚ 20th May
- ✚ 27th May
- ✚ 3rd June
- ✚ 10th June

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Pupils in **Years 4 – 7** are asked to contribute **£2** per session for afterschool Multisports. Please forward **£24** to the school office for the 12 weeks.

- Please see a list of our **School Closures for 2026 – 2027** on our school website under **Important Information** and under **Parents – Info – School Closures**.
- A reminder that our updated **Child Protection And Safeguarding Policy** and **Pastoral Care Leaflet for Parents** is available to view on our school website under **Parents – Policies**. Please read these documents carefully and complete the consultation form attached. A paper copy of the form was sent home with your child last week. Thank you to those parents who have already completed the form.
- **Parents of pupils in Year Four:**
The **Sacrament of Penance (First Confession)** will take place on **Thursday, 5th March, 2026** in **St. Patrick's Church, Eskra** at **7pm**.

The **Sacrament of the Eucharist (First Holy Communion)** will take place on **Saturday, 16th May, 2026 @ 12.00pm** in **St. Patrick's Church, Eskra**. Everyone is welcome.

- **Parents of pupils in Years Five, Six and Seven:**
A member of staff from **Fintona Credit Union** will be calling into school tomorrow to collect savings books and monies from pupils in **Years 5, 6 and 7**. Please make sure that your child has his/her savings book and any monies with them to school.
- **Parents of pupils in Year Six:**
Thank you to everyone who attended our **Year 6 Transition Information Session For Parents** on Thursday. We hope you found it enjoyable and informative. If you were unable to attend, a PowerPoint Presentation is available to view on our class page of the school website.

An electronic form has been sent to your mobile phone today regarding **Year 6 Transition Arrangements**. Please complete as soon as possible to allow sufficient time for planning and preparation.

You can also click the link below to complete the form.

[Year 6 Transition Arrangements 2026 – Fill out form](#)

- **Parents of pupils in Year Seven:**
Thank you to everyone who attended our **Confirmation Information Evening for Parents** on Thursday. We hope you found it enjoyable and informative. If you were unable to attend, a PowerPoint Presentation is available to view on our class page of the school website.

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A letter regarding the completion of the **Kids' Life And Times Survey 2026** will be sent home tomorrow. Please return the form by Friday if you **do not** want your child to participate.

A **Service of Light**, in preparation for Confirmation, will take place on **Thursday, 19th March, 2026** in **St. Patrick's Church, Eskra @ 7pm**. Pupils are asked to bring their **Baptismal Candle** to the service.

A **Confirmation Practice** will take place on **Sunday, 22nd March, 2026 @ 5pm** in **St. Patrick's Church, Clogher**.

The **Sacrament of Confirmation** will take place on **Saturday, 28th March, 2026** in **St. Patrick's Church, Clogher @ 11am**. **Bishop Lawrence Duffy** will be celebrating the sacrament with us. We look forward to seeing you there.

Yours sincerely,

Keira McCallan

Mrs. Keira McCallan (Principal)



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Consultation With Parents

Child Protection And Safeguarding Policy

and

Pastoral Care Leaflet For Parents

2026



Parent/s Name/s: _____

I have accessed, read and understood the Child Protection
And Safeguarding Policy.

Yes

No

I have accessed, read and understood the Pastoral Care
Leaflet for Parents.

Yes

No

If you answered No, please give further information.

Signed:

Date:

Permission Slip
After - School Multisports

Parent's Name:

Please circle/underline as appropriate.

I do/do not give permission for my child/children to attend a 12 week After - School Multisports programme delivered by Mr. O'Brien on a Wednesday afternoon.

Child's/Children's Name/s:

Class/Classes:

Signed:

Date: