



Drumahoe Babies:

As a school we would like to say a huge congratulations to Mrs Stevenson on the birth of her son in December, to Mrs Bronze on the birth of her son in January and to Mrs Bratton on the birth of her daughter born on Mother's Day. I am pleased to report that everyone is doing well.

P7 Trip meeting:

Our Primary Seven children will depart for Edinburgh on Tuesday 13th May 2025. There will be a meeting for parents of children attending the Edinburgh trip in May in school on **Tuesday 8th April at 2.30 p.m.** This will be held in the school dining centre.

Uniform Survey:

Many thanks to all of you for your response to our uniform survey. The results of the survey have been analysed and there is not a clear consensus on making changes to our uniform policy. As a result of this, next year we will trial children wearing PE uniform 3 days per week and shirt and tie uniform 2 days per week. The third day of PE uniform will be for practical subjects such as art, STEM projects etc. This will start in the 2025-26 academic year.

Highland Dance Exams:

Highland Dance exams will take place in school on Tuesday 8th April. We wish all the children the best of luck and want to thank Emily Peart for preparing the children so well for their exams.

Summer Uniform:

Just a reminder that after Easter until the end of June children can wear Summer Uniform:

Girls - red gingham dresses that may be worn with official Drumahoe sweatshirt or the standard grey cardigan/jumper. White socks should also be worn.

Boys - white polo shirt that may be worn with official Drumahoe sweatshirt or the standard grey jumper (no need for a tie). Grey shorts can also be worn as opposed to the grey school trousers.

After School Clubs

Please note the following clubs are running after school during this term:

Monday – Craft Club – P1 and P2 – 2.00 – 3.00pm
P3 and P4 – 3.00 – 4.00pm

Tuesday – Highland Dance and French - P1 and P2 – 2.00 – 3.00pm
P3 – P7 – 3.00 – 4.00pm

Wednesday — Brazilian Football - P1 and P2 – 2.00 – 3.00pm
P3 and P4 – 3.00 – 4.00pm

Hockey – P5 – P7 – 3.00 – 4.00pm
Thursday – Maiden City Soccer – P5 – P7 – 3.00 – 4.00pm

All clubs will run as usual next week. After School Clubs will start back on the week beginning **6th May 2025**. There will be no hockey after Easter but all other clubs will continue to take place on the days outlined above.

Break the Rules:

We wanted to let you know that our Break the Rules Day raised a wonderful £1208 for school funds. Thank you very much to the Kids Forum and to you the parents for helping to arrange and support this event.

Child Protection

You will receive a leaflet that gives you summary information on the school's child protection policy. A copy of this policy is available on our school website. You can also request a copy of the policy from the school directly. Just a little reminder that if you do have any concerns, please speak to your child's teacher or Mrs Hegarty, who is responsible for safeguarding matters in the school.

Easter Egg Hunt

Our House Easter Egg hunt competition will take place on **Wednesday 9th April 2025**. Children should come to school on this day in their PE uniform wearing a T-Shirt in their house colour. If you don't have a T-Shirt, please do not go and buy one as we can provide coloured bibs in school.

School Football

The boys and girls school football teams have had a busy year and this will continue until the end of the year. Our boys and girls in Key Stage 2 have enjoyed playing school development matches on a Tuesday. Primary 7 girls participated in a development tournament in Oakgrove Integrated College on Thursday 3rd April organised by the Manchester United Foundation. The school team will be taking part in a 'Friends of Ardnashee' tournament in Leafair on Thursday 10th April. A big thank you to Mr Scott who so generously gives his time to work with the children and escort them to these events.

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Rugby Blitz

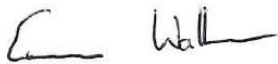
Pupils in Primary 5 – 7 have been working on their rugby skills with Paul O’Kane, a teacher from Foyle College every Friday since January. These sessions will finish with the children in Primary 5, 6 and 7 playing in a rugby blitz in Foyle College on Thursday 10th and Friday 11th April. Letters with further information will be provided to parents next week. The school would like to say thank you to Mr O’Kane for taking these sessions which the children have really enjoyed.

Cricket Blitz

Children in Primary 5/6H will be participating in a Cricket Blitz organised by the North-West Cricket union on Wednesday 30th April. Information will be provided to the children after the Easter holidays. Children in Primary 7 will participate in a further blitz in May.

Term 2 and 3 important dates:

- Children finish for Easter on Friday 11th April 2025 at 12 p.m. School will reopen on Monday 28th April 2025 with breakfast club starting at 8a.m.
- Monday 5th May – school closed – Bank Holiday
- Tuesday 13th – Friday 16th May 2025 – P7 Trip to Edinburgh
- Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th May - school closed for the Whit Bank Holiday and Staff Development Day
- Tuesday 3rd June – provisional date for Sports Day – weather dependent – more information on the timings etc. will be issued closer to the time.
- Thursday 19th June – Fun Night BBQ
- Friday 20th June – House cross-country event
- Friday 20th June 2025 – reports go home
- Thursday 26th June 2025 – P7 ‘Leavers Assembly’ at 10.00am
- Friday 27th June 2025 – School ends for summer at 12.00 p.m.



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