

Knockloughrim Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Safeguarding Team

If you have any concerns regarding a child's safety, please remember we have trained staff in school who you can speak to in confidence.

Our Safeguarding Team

Designated Teacher = Mrs Clarke

Deputy Designated Teachers = Miss Millar and Mrs Rodgers

Principal = Mr Finlay

After Schools Club

Multi Sports and Football have now finished for this term.

Scripture Union

SU is on Thursday 1st December.



Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who donated. We raised a brilliant £238.64.



P1 Admissions September 2023

Our Open Day will be taking place on Thursday 12th January 2023 from 6pm to 8pm. Please let the school office know if you have a child due to start school in September 2023. Also, please tell any family or friends with children due to start school to contact the school office.

Christmas Card Orders

If you would like to order Christmas Cards please send the completed template and money to the school office by Friday 25th November. Instructions are attached.

Movies and Munchies

A Christmas Movies and Munchies night is taking place on Monday 19th December from 6pm to 8pm. There is a suggested minimum donation of £3 per child, this includes a treat and a drink. If your child wishes to attend, please send money to the school office by Monday 12th December.

Christmas Presents

We are requesting this year that pupils and parents do not buy gifts for staff. We greatly appreciate all gifts that we have kindly received in school over the years, however this year we feel that with the cost-of-living crisis buying gifts for staff is an extra financial burden on families. If any family would like to make a voluntary donation to school, instead of a gift, they are very welcome to do so. Any voluntary donations received will be divided equally between Action Cancer and the PTA fundraising efforts to purchase new ICT equipment.

Staff will again this year be organising a treat day for pupils instead of individual Christmas gifts.

Christmas Hampers

The PTA and I have decided to not have the Christmas Hamper Raffle this year, instead we are requesting donations for Magherafelt. Foodbank.

Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Jumper Day is on Thursday 8th December. Pupils can wear Christmas Jumpers/outfits and non-uniform. There is no money needed for the 8th of December instead anyone wishing to donate may contribute to the Christmas collection for Action Cancer/ICT equipment.

Christmas Dinner will also be on Thursday 8th December. It will be a Christmas Party Box again this year. Anyone wishing to order a Christmas Party Box must have orders placed by Friday 2nd December. Party boxes cost £2.60.



Christmas Performances

The Christmas Performance arrangements have now been finalised. The P1-P4 performance will be on Thursday 15th December at 1pm. The P5-P7 performance will also be on Thursday 15th December at 7pm. Ticketing details will be sent out soon.

Rehearsals

In preparation for the Christmas Performances pupils will be taking part in rehearsals at the Church Hall.

Monday 12th December

P1 to P4 pupils should be left to the Church Hall from 8.50am onwards. At lunchtime P1 to P4 pupils will be bused back to school and collected at their normal time. P5 to P7 pupils should come to school as normal and then will be bused up to the Church Hall at lunchtime. P5 to P7 pupils should be collected from the Church Hall at 2.50pm. The school bus will be running as normal on Monday 12th December and will drop off/collect pupils from the Church Hall and school. School dinners will be as normal, P1 to P4 pupils should ensure they take their break to the Church Hall.

Tuesday 13th December +Wednesday 14th December

All pupils should be left to the Church Hall from 8.50am onwards. Pupils should bring a packed break and lunch to the Church Hall. School dinners will be on as normal, they will be delivered to the Church Hall. Pupils should be collected from the Church Hall at 2.00pm.

The school bus will be running and will do morning drop off to the Church Hall and collection from the Church Hall at 2pm for pupils who travel by school bus.

Thursday 15th December

All pupils should come to school as normal. P1 to P4 will leave school after lunch and be bused up to the Church Hall for their performance. P1 to P4 pupils should be taken home after their performance.

P5 to P7 pupils should be in school as normal on Thursday 15th December and meet in the Church at 6.30pm for their performance. School will be closing at 2pm on Thursday 15th December. The school bus will be running at 2pm for P5-P7 pupils.

Breakfast Club

Monday 12th December – open as normal for P5-P7 pupils

Tuesday 13th December – closed

Wednesday 14th December – closed

Thursday 15th December – open as normal for all pupils

Windmill Club

Monday 12th December – Open as normal

Tuesday 13th December – Open as normal

Wednesday 14th December – Open as normal

Thursday 15th December – closed

Any pupils wishing to attend Windmill Club for the week beginning Monday 12th December must be booked in before Friday 9th December.



Santa Run

Pupils will be taking part in the Daily Mile Santa Run on Friday 2nd December. Pupils should wear jogging bottoms and trainers to school and bring a Christmas hat.

Yours faithfully,

S Finlay

BE SAFE...BE SEEN

As we move into Autumn there are lots of things to look forward to but it is also a good time to think about how to Be Safe, especially during the dark mornings and evenings.

It is important for all of us to keep safe while out and about, so remember to 'Be Safe, Be Seen!'

