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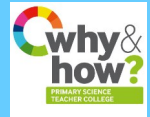
Ballymoney Model Integrated Primary School

Week beginning — 18th November 2024

School App



School
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For all the latest news see our **School Website** www.ballymoneymodelips.co.uk

Our November value is Friendship.



Causeway
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sessions provided by Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council

Year 5 — Tuesdays — 19th and 26th November

Wednesday 20th November

Causeway Sports Academy Autumn Schools Football Cup

5-a-side competition — Score, Coleraine

Year 6/7 Boys' Football Tournament

Wednesday 20th November

Year 7 Table Tennis Sessions 11am — 12 noon

November Assemblies

Wednesday 20th November – led by Miss Magee's class

Wednesday 27th November – led by Mrs Thom's class



Orchestra Trip to Ulster Orchestra Live Concert

Thursday 21st November — Ballymena — morning



Ballymoney — Switching on of the Christmas Lights

Thursday 21st November 2024

Christmas Singing at Castlecroft

Year 3 — 9.30am

Year 7 SEAG Assessments

Year 7 have been working hard in preparation for their SEAG Assessment.

We send them our best wishes as they give of their best over the next few weekends.

Saturday 16th November — Paper 1

Saturday 23rd November — Paper 2



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Will your child be ready to start Primary School in **September 2025**?



Our Open Evening

will be held on

Thursday 28th November 2024

6.15 - 7.30 pm

(Doors open at 6.00 pm)

Our Foundation Stage Open Morning

will be held on

Tuesday 7th January 2025

9.15 — 10.15 am

(Booking required — please visit the school website)

If your child would like to be a helper at our Open Evening (5.45—7.30pm), please see the message added to the school app on Thursday 14th November.

To help give us time to prepare school for the Open Evening, pupils can go home/be collected at 2pm on Thursday 28th November if parents/carers wish.

Our school is an integrated primary school, unique in the Ballymoney area. We welcome families of all religions or none and endeavour to cater for everyone's religious requests with professionalism and care.

If you do not wish your child/children to partake in any activities noted within this newsletter, please complete an online communication form on the school app to let us know.

Mrs Jamison



December



Provisional dates - if something important comes along that means we have to change a noted date, we will let you know as soon as possible.

Wednesday 4th December

Ballymoney High School Play — Hairspray — Years 5—7 — see post on the app 12th Nov

Thursday 5th December — Year 4 Classes

Visit from Lynda McAuley from CEF



Thursday 5th December — School Christmas Dinner

Pupils can wear their Christmas Jumper instead of their school jumper/cardigan



**£2.00 per adult
just pay at the door**

Years 1-4 Christmas Plays

Year 4 — Monday 9th December — 1.30pm

Year 3 — Tuesday 10th December — 1.30pm

Year 2 — Wednesday 11th December — 1.30pm

Year 1 — Thursday 12th December — 1.30pm

This year we are celebrating our 15th anniversary of being an integrated primary school. In relation to this our Y5-7 pupils will be taking part in a special show at the end of March.

Friday 13th December — Hebron Schools' Carol Service — 12 noon — Years 5—7

Monday 16th December — Christmas Jumper Day

Save the Children + Cancer Fund for Children

Non-uniform — suggested donation — £1 per pupil



**Tuesday 17th December — Key Stage 2 — Years 5-7 Carol Service
provisional times — 2 performances — 10.00am and 1.30pm**

Wednesday 18th December — Key Stage 2 House Quiz

Thursday 19th December — Christmas Treat Day — more information to follow

**Friday 20th December — non-uniform — Pupils finish for the Christmas Holidays
Y1-3 pupils and their Y4—7 siblings — 11.40am Remainder of Y4—7 pupils — 12 noon**



School Christmas Holidays

Monday 23rd December 2024 — Friday 3rd January 2025

Pupils start back to school again on Monday 6th January 2025



Leader — Miss Hemphill

Wednesday
4th December
2.00pm

ECO COMMITTEE

Leader — Mrs Murphy

Wednesday
11th December
2.00pm

DIGITAL
LEADERS

Leader — Miss Graham

Wednesday
20th November
2.00pm



Ballymoney Model Integrated Primary School
Safeguarding and Child Protection Team

Remember if you are worried about anything please talk to any adult
in our school or one of these teachers.



Mrs McNaughton
Designated Teacher
Year 4 Teacher



Mr Clarke
Deputy Designated Teacher
Vice Principal



Mrs Jamison
Principal

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In every force. In every school. For every child.

We are an Operation Encompass School,
for more information please go to the
school website and within the
Parents-Carers Area more information
can be found .

HOME/SCHOOL LINKS

Every effort is made to maintain close contact with parents/carers, who should not hesitate to get in touch with their child's class teacher on any matter affecting the welfare, progress or development of their child/ren.

Should a parent/carer have any concerns about their child, we would encourage them to make immediate contact with their child's class teacher in the following ways:-

Contact school in one of these two ways:-

- Ring the school office – 028 276 62340 – and speak to the school's Senior Clerical Officer to make an appointment with your child's class teacher.
- Complete an online Communication Form available on the school app.



Your child's class teacher will be contacted and a time for a phone call/meeting will be organised as appropriate.



If a further phone call or meeting is required, please ring the school office and speak to the school's Senior Clerical Officer or complete an online Communication Form. The most appropriate member of the Senior Leadership Team will also be involved.



If a further phone call or meeting is required, please ring the school office and speak to the school's Senior Clerical Officer or complete an online Communication Form to make an appointment with the Principal.

Please note the relevant member of staff will return your call or organise an appointment when it is practical to do so. Unfortunately, as you can appreciate with staff completing their roles, phone calls and appointments cannot be returned/arranged immediately.

Bookings

If your child is unwell we can move your child's dinner booking to another day.

If your child is unwell or unable to attend we are unfortunately unable to move bookings for Breakfast Club and After School Clubs etc. to another day, due to having to pay the linked staff.

Please ensure to book on time, late bookings unfortunately cause additional administration within the school and so have a higher linked charge.

Stay and Play Club

Our after school Stay and Play Club is available for Y1—3 pupils.

Stay and Play Club will cost £3.50 per session and run from 2–3pm.

Bookings must be made by 12 noon on a Friday for the following week. We cannot stress the importance of this as it allows us to appropriately plan staffing and space requirements for the following week.

If a parent/carer needs to book their child in at short notice, we would ask them to complete a Communication form on the school app to request a space.

You will then be contacted by school and if a space is available it will cost £5 for the session.

Activity/Homework Club

Our after school Activity/Homework Club is available for Y1—7 pupils.

Activity/Homework Club will cost £3.50 per session and run from 3–4pm.

Bookings must be made by 12 noon on a Friday for the following week. We cannot stress the importance of this as it allows us to appropriately plan staffing and space requirements for the following week.

If a parent/carer needs to book their child in at short notice, we would ask them to complete a Communication form on the school app to request a space.

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Good Communication

At Ballymoney Model we are eager for good communication between home and school. As an Eco-School we are also trying to reduce the amount of photocopying that we do by communicating with parents/carers through our school apps and website. If you are unable to access the school apps and website please contact the school office and we will endeavour to help you find a solution.



School Jotter App

- All main notes and newsletters are added to our Schools NI App.

(Apple or Play Store – School Jotter – Ballymoney Model Integrated Primary School)



School Communication App

- Communication Form
- Absence Form
- Bookings — School Dinners
- Bookings — Milk Order Form

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School Facebook Page

We share what is happening within school with our local community through our school Facebook page.

Please endeavour to ensure your child/ren is/are in school for 8.55am to start their learning at 9.00am. Too many pupils are arriving late and this is impacting on their own and the rest of their class's learning.

Within school we have a large number of policies. Each year we endeavour to review a number of our policies. As we work through reviewing our policies, we will share with parents/carers through the school app.

School Office Hours

Monday — Thursday 8.45am — 4pm Friday 8.45am — 3.30pm

Closed at lunchtime 1.00 — 1.30pm

Our phone line is always very busy, we encourage parents/carers to communicate with school through completing a Communication Form on the School App.