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Friday 15th September 2023

Very well done to all our Stars of the Week!

This week's Stars are:



P1 Olivia R

P2 Eloise M

P3 Tom M

P4 Olivia F

P5 Logan M  Jake H

P6 Aria R  Conor M

P7 Joshua U

School Photographer

The school photographer will be in school on Wednesday 20th September 2023. **Children should come to school in their uniform and bring a change of clothes in a bag if they have PE or are attending afterschool clubs on this occasion.**

Friday Fun Club

Please note that Friday Fun Club is available for all pupils from 2pm to 3pm every Friday. Payment can be made on ParentPay and can be paid weekly or in advance.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is available every morning and will be on a pay as you go basis. The cost is £2 per day and the club will run from 8am – 8:50am. You can pay your weekly breakfast club payment at the beginning of the week however you **must** sign your child in as you drop them off each day. **Cash payments only for breakfast club.**

Beginning of year school mass

The beginning of year school mass will be held in St MacNissi's Church on Wednesday 27th September 2023 at 10am. Please note the church camera will be switched on, if you have any concerns about this please contact the school office.

Parents/Grandparents are welcome to attend but there will be limited seating and mass will be live streamed for those wishing to watch from home.

Primary 7 Transfer Club

Please note that Transfer Club for the Primary 7 pupils will take place every Wednesday from 3pm to 4pm. Pupils should bring a small snack. Collection from the classroom door.

European Day of Languages

On Tuesday 26th September we will celebrate European Day of Languages. Children may dress up in colours from a European county (for example, France – blue jeans, red top and white trainers or a football top from a European country). Please do not go to any expense for this day.

Our parent Mrs M McAllister has kindly offered to come into the school and teach some Spanish to the children and there will be a special dinner menu.

Flu Vaccination Programme

All pupils have received their Flu Vaccination Forms to be signed. Please return the forms before Friday 22nd September 2023 as the school nursing team will be calling to collect them.

Reporting a Pupil Absence

If your child is absent from school please complete the form on the school website under the Parents area – report pupil absence. Once you submit the form a copy will be sent to the school office and your child's teacher.

Permissions

The link to the permissions form have been sent via our messaging service and email. Please follow this link and sign and date each section online as you complete the form. **We require urgent responses to ensure that our records are up to date.**

Afterschool Clubs

Afterschool Clubs will continue this week. All clubs should be booked and paid for through ParentPay. For the following clubs pupils will be required to wear their PE uniforms. Those in P1 to P3 may wear their PE uniform to school on club days. Those in P4-P7 will change into their PE bottoms and trainers in the afternoon.

***Football *Martial Arts *Hockey**

PE Uniform

- White polo shirt (school)
- Plain dark blue or black shorts / jogging/tracksuit bottoms/leggings
- Trainers

*School jumper must be worn

Afterschool Pick Ups

Please note that the P3-P7 hockey and football clubs are normally held outside. Pupils can be collected from the back playground at 4pm. Any remaining pupils will be brought to the front entrance.

After school clubs: There are still places available in some of the clubs – see below. Booking/Payments should be made through ParentPay.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2.00 – 3.00pm	Football Club with Larne FC coach	Uplift Performing Arts (Singing/Drama)	Matt Fiddes Martial Arts Club	Construction Club	Friday Fun Club
Classes:	(P1 and P2)	(P1 and P2)	(P1 and P2)	(P1 and P2)	(P1 to P7)
Cost and Payment	ParentPay £3.00 per session (5-week block)	ParentPay £4.00 per session (6-week block)	ParentPay £3.50 per session (6-week block)	ParentPay £3.00 per session (6-week block)	ParentPay £3.00 per session (6-week block)
Places available:	FULL	SPACES AVAILABLE	FULL	SPACES AVAILABLE	SPACES AVAILABLE

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	
3.00 – 4.00pm	Football Club with Larne FC coach	Uplift Performing Arts (Singing/Drama)	Matt Fiddes Martial Arts Club	Hockey Club	
Classes:	(P3, P4, P5, P6 and P7)	(P3, P4, P5, P6 and P7)	(P3, P4, P5, P6 and P7)	(P5, P6 and P7)	
Cost and Payment	ParentPay £3 per session (5-week block)	ParentPay £4.00 per session (6-week block)	ParentPay £3.50 per session (6-week block)	ParentPay £3 per session (6-week block)	
Places available:	FULL	SPACES AVAILABLE	SPACES AVAILABLE	SPACES AVAILABLE	
Dates:	Week 1: 11.09.23 Week 2: 18.09.23 Week 3: 25.09.23 Week 4: 09.10.23 Week 5: 16.10.23	Week 1: 12.09.23 Week 2: 19.09.23 Week 3: 26.09.23 Week 4: 03.10.23 Week 5: 10.10.23 Week 6: 17.10.23	Week 1: 13.09.23 Week 2: 20.09.23 Week 3: 27.09.23 Week 4: 04.10.23 Week : 11.10.23 Week 6: 18.10.23	Week 1:14.09.23 Week 2:21.09.23 Week 3:28.09.23 Week 4:05.10.23 Week 5:12.10.23 Week 6:19.10.23	Week 1: 15.09.23 Week 2: 22.09.23 Week 3: 29.09.23 Week 4: 06.10.23 Week 5: 13.10.23 Week 6: 20.10.23

Dates for your Diary



September 2023

Wednesday 20th September – School Photographer

Friday 22nd September – Visit from Arc21 – Waste & Recycling

Tuesday 26th September – European Day of Languages

Wednesday 27th September – Beginning of year school mass at 10am

October 2023

Monday 2nd October – Staff Development Day – School Closed for all pupils

Tuesday 3rd October – Primary 4 – Visit to Larne Library

Wednesday 6th October – Primary 6 – Visit to Larne Library

Friday 6th October – Primary 7 – Hurling Practice with Latharna Og GAC Coach

Monday 9th October – Book Fair Week

Friday 13th October – Primary 7 Hurling Practice with Latharna Og GAC Coach

Tuesday 17th October – Primary 4 – Visit to Larne Library

Wednesday 18th October – M&M Theatrical Productions – Jack and the Beanstalk
(Pantomime in school – more details to follow)

Thursday 19th October – Flu Vaccinations – School Nursing Team

Friday 20th October – Primary 4 – Storytelling Event at Larne Library

Wednesday 25th October – Primary 7 – Visit to Larne Library

Friday 26th October – Primary 6 – Special Assembly

Child Protection and Safeguarding

Should you have concerns about your own or another child inside or outside of school, this should be reported in the first instance to Mr Oakes (DT) or in his absence Mrs O'Broin (DDT).

If you have immediate concerns outside school time (weekends, holidays, evenings) do not hesitate to call the Referral Gateway Team on **0300 1234 333** or **028 9442 4459** or the PSNI Central Referral Unit on **028 9025 9299** or **101 Ext 30299**.

In St. MacNissi's, we aim to work closely with parents/guardians in supporting all aspects of their child's development and well-being. Any concerns a parent may have will be taken seriously and dealt with in a professional and confidential manner. Should you have a safeguarding concern, please follow the steps below.

I have a concern about my child/a child's safety



I can speak to the class teacher



If I am still concerned, I can talk to the Designated Teacher for Child Protection (Mr Oakes) or the Deputy Designated Teacher for Child Protection (Mrs O'Broin)



If I am still concerned, I can talk/write to the chair of the Board of Governors – Mrs I Culleton (who can be contacted c/o the school office)



If I am still concerned, I can contact the NI Public Services Ombudsman
Tel: 0800 343 424

Nut Allergies

We have several children in school who suffer from nut and other allergies. It is important that there is strict avoidance to this food group in order to prevent a life-threatening allergic reaction. Consequently, we must ask that you do not send nuts or nut products into school (either for healthy break or packed lunch). This includes peanut paste, Nutella, all nuts and cooking oil containing peanut oil, as well as foods containing nuts such as cereals and muesli bars. This is particularly relevant now that children are eating lunches in their classrooms. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Some people, especially those allergic to peanuts, may have allergic reactions after eating lupin or foods containing ingredients from lupin

Our school catering team have requested that parents advise if their child has an allergy related to this.



EAT SMART WITH THE LUNCH BUNCH

ea catering
WEEK 4

WEEK COMMENCING:
SEP 18, OCT 16, NOV 13,
DEC 11, JAN 15, FEB 12

MONDAY

MAIN COURSES

Beef Bolognaise with
Garlic Bread

Or

Cod Fishcakes with
Tartare Sauce

SIDES

Garden Peas

Oven Baked Potato
Wedges

DESSERT

Melon, Mandarin &
Pineapple Pots with
Yoghurt Dip

TUESDAY

MAIN COURSES

Ham & Cheese Pizza or
Pepperoni with Garlic Dip

Or

Tex Mex Beef & Veg
Enchilada

SIDES

Sweetcorn and Red
Pepper/Coleslaw

Chipped
Potatoes/Baked Potato

DESSERT

Jelly & Mandarin
Oranges

WEDNESDAY

MAIN COURSES

Roast of the Day

Or

Stuffed Chicken

SIDES

Broccoli/Turnip

Mashed Potatoes/Oven
Roast Potato

DESSERT

Ice Cream, Pears &
Chocolate Sauce

THURSDAY

MAIN COURSES

Lunch Bunch Chicken
Curry & Naan Bread

Or

BBQ Chicken Wrap with
Crunchy Salad

SIDES

Green Beans

Steamed Rice

DESSERT

Cornflake Tart &
Custard

FRIDAY

MAIN COURSES

Oven Baked Chicken
Goujons

Or

Sweet Chilli Chicken
Panini

SIDES

Salad/Baked Beans

Chipped
Potatoes/Mashed
Potatoes

DESSERT

Homemade Ginger
Biscuit and Fruit

MILK, WATER, BREAD AND
FRESH FRUIT AVAILABLE DAILY

MENU MAY CHANGE DUE
TO DELIVERY CHANGES

IF YOU REQUIRE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON ALLERGENS OR
SPECIAL DIETS PLEASE CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL



Anxiety based School Avoidance



FREE Parent and Carer workshop

This online workshop delivered together with **Strive NI** will explore reasons why a child or young person may be finding it difficult to attend school, as well as providing practical strategies for parents/carers to support children to return more willingly to the school environment

Tuesday 26th September 7pm

Or

Thursday 28th September 10am

Call now for more information or book your place

0808 8020 400



Don't forget to follow us on Facebook and Instagram to be kept up to date with upcoming workshops.





FREE
AFTER-SCHOOL
PROGRAMME
FOR ANYONE IN P5 - 3RD YR

The Bridging Divides Programme is a weekly after-school programme that provides a safe space for children and young people to;

- ✓ Come Together
- ✓ Make Friends
- ✓ Play Basketball on Integrated Teams
- ✓ Have Fun!

The Bridging Divides Programme will be operating in the following council areas:

- North Belfast
- South Belfast
- East Belfast
- West Belfast
- Carrick & Larne
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“ My son enjoyed every second of PeacePlayers. It gave him confidence and a chance form some great new friendships. This was our first year at BDP and Jingle Ball (tournament) and my son had such an amazing time. He wouldn't change anything at all, he can't wait to come back next year! ”
 - BDP Parent

Follow the link below or scan the QR code to register

tinyurl.com/TBUC-BDP23-24



SCAN ME





BASKETBALL TEAM

SUNDAYS STARTING 14/5/23

Age categories:

U12's (7-11 Year Olds) 10am-11am

U14's (12-13 Year Olds) 11am-12pm

U16's (14-15 Year Olds) 12pm-1pm

Sign up here:



Or via the link!

Venue:

Larne YMCA

Cost:

£10 Registration fee

&

£4 per session

For more information:

contact Dean via dean@larneymca.org

or 02828279331

