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Very well done to all our Stars of the Week!

This week's Stars are:



P1 Eireann W Shea M

P2 Katie J

P3 Hollie C

P4 Sophia D

P5 Joshua F

P6 Hugo M Lucie W

P7 Ella B

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Keep an eye on our Facebook page 'St MacNissi's Primary School – Larne' and please view and like our posts!



We are very pleased to welcome M&M Theatrical Productions to our school this Wednesday 18th October, with their pantomime 'Jack and The Beanstalk'. Due to the rising costs of transport, we have decided to keep the pantomime inhouse this year. The cost will be £6.00 per child and payment should be made on ParentPay before Wednesday 18th October 2023.

Don't forget to return your PTA Fireside Quiz sheets we will keep this open until Monday 16th October. Returned entries will go into a draw with a chance of winning one of three cash prizes! Thank you for your support.



Book Fair

Thank you to all the parents and pupils who purchased books from our Scholastic Book Fair during the week. The school will benefit from commission money earned which will be put directly back into the school.

School Team Kits

Thank you to Dave and Kevin from MacAllister and McAleese Solicitors, Larne for their very kind donation of new school team kits. We cannot wait to showcase these at upcoming events. Please see our Facebook page for photos.

Peace Proms 2024

We are delighted to have been selected for the Peace Proms 2024. The event will take place on Sunday 25th February in the SSE Arena. Details have been given to our choir members. Tickets will be available to buy on Ticketmaster from Wednesday 1st November 2023. Please be advised that we will be performing at the later show at 7pm on the Sunday.



We are delighted to have been awarded £500 funding from the Brighter Futures Grant Programme which will be used towards new equipment for our ICT Suite.



School Kitchens - Halloween Art Competition

The School Kitchen are running an art competition for Halloween.

Children should create a Halloween themed picture at home to be displayed in the canteen.

A winner will be picked from Foundation Stage, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. We have had some amazing pictures handed in already so get colouring!

CLOSING DATE: MONDAY 16th OCTOBER



Pastoral Phone Calls

All the teachers completed their pastoral phone calls during the week. If you missed your call and would still like an update on your child, please contact the School Office and this can be arranged.

Class Library Visits

As some of the classes begin their visits to Larne Library, please remember to send your child in with a warm coat.

Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Every year the school supports Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal. Your child already received an information leaflet. If you would like to support this appeal, please return your shoebox by Friday 27^{th} October 2023 to the school office so we can arrange pick up. More leaflets are available in the school office if you require them.



October 2023

Monday 16th October – Primary 2 – Visit to Larne Library

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

Wednesday 18th October – M&M Theatrical Productions – Jack and the Beanstalk

Thursday 19th October - Flu Vaccinations - School Nursing Team

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

Tuesday 24th October - Primary 2 - Stay & Play at 1.15pm

Wednesday 25th October – Primary 6 – Visit to Larne Library

Thursday 26th October – PTA Halloween Disco – 5.30pm to 6.30pm P1/P2/P3/P4 6.45pm to 7.45pm P5/P6/P7

Friday 27th October – Primary 6 – Special Assembly at 1.15pm

Monday 30th October – Friday 3rd November (inclusive) – Half Term Break

November 2023

Tuesday 7th November – Primary 7 – Lantern Making for the Larne Christmas Parade

Monday 13th November – Odd Socks Day for Anti-Bullying Week

Wednesday 15th November – Primary 3 and 4 – Book Trust Author and Illustrator Event at Moyle PS.

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.



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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

MAIN COURSES

THURSDAY

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