

St.MacNissi's Primary School Newsletter



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Stars of the Week.

Very well done to all our Stars of the Week!

This week's Stars are:



P1 Eliza W

P2 Cavan Mc  Hollie C

P3 Noah R  Isabella W

P4 Cara C

P5 Hugo Mc

P6 Anna Mc

P7 Carly C

School's Out

Just a reminder that Larne Foodbank can help by providing food parcels to support to families during the October half-term holidays.



Cycle to School Week – 3rd to 7th October

Well done to all the boys and girls who took part in the Cycle to School Week! We hope that there will be further opportunities for cycle training throughout the Sustrans programme.

Parent teacher phone calls

All parents should have received details of their telephone calls which will take place during the week beginning 10th October 2022. If you need to make any changes, please contact the School Office.

P4 Shared Education Day

The Primary 4 pupils will be out on a Shared Education Day on Wednesday 12th October 2022. Please wear PE kit (bottoms and trainers with School Polo Shirt and Sweatshirt). A packed lunch is required and if you are in receipt of Free School Meals please inform the School Office if you require a packed lunch from the School Kitchen.

P6 Special Assembly

We welcome back our Special Assembly, first up will be Primary 6 on Friday 21st October at 1.15pm. Parents/Grandparents are welcome to come along but please keep numbers to 2 adults per child.

Free School Meals

If your child receives Free School Meals, **please remember** you still need to order their school meal through Pay360 every week.

Attendance

If your child is off school due to sickness or any other reason, please phone the School Office to inform us on the first day of their absence. **Our attendance records are legal documents and so any absence must be followed up with a letter giving a reason for the absence on the day the pupil returns to school.**

Pay 360

Pay360 will continue to be used for dinner payments. We will also use this system for swimming, some clubs and various other things throughout the year. Please pay during the designated time for the week ahead, this week, (Friday 1pm – Monday 9.00 am). **If any parents are still having issues with the Pay360 please call to the School Office.**

Car Parking

We would appreciate it if parents did not park at the school gates during drop off and pick up times. The Chapel Car Park is opened especially for the parents to use and the safety of all the children is our priority.

UEFA Disney Playmakers Programme

The Irish Football Association curriculum sports programme for Primary 3 and Primary 4 pupils, this will continue on Wednesday 12th October. P3 and P4 pupils should wear PE gear on Wednesdays. **Please wear appropriate bottoms and bring trainers in a bag.**

Swimming Lessons

P6 pupils have begun swimming lessons every Thursday, this should be paid through Pay360. Parents will be able to pay weekly (£4 per week). Pay 360 will open on Friday 7th October 2022 at 9am and will close on Thursday 13th October at 9am this week.

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.**

School Business

We are always keen to keep a record of anyone who may be available to fill positions within the school (either short or longer term). This would include classroom assistants, cleaners and lunchtime supervisors. Please send a CV into the school office.

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.



The PTA are always keen to welcome new members, either to sit on the committee or to volunteer at events throughout the year.

If you would like to find out more about our committee or add your name to our list of volunteers, please contact the school office.

Our whole school community appreciates your help and support.

Upcoming PTA Events

Split the Pot – First draw 28th October

Split the Pot runs half termly. Brown envelopes will be sent home with the children. Only one £1 coin should go in any one envelope and a name written on the front. One envelope is chosen and the winner will receive half of the total money collected. The other half goes straight into PTA funds.

Halloween Disco – Thursday 27th October

(P1, P2, P3, P4 – 5:30pm – 6:30pm)

(P5, P6, P7 – 6:45pm – 7:45pm)

Halloween Parade (parents welcome /outdoors with weather permitting) – Friday 28th October 10:30am

Christmas Raffle

Christmas shopping event (children)

Special Visitor in December!

After school clubs

Please see timetable below:

	Monday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
2.00 – 3.00pm	Football Skills	Nature, Gardening and Art	Junglenastix	Uplift	
Classes:	(P1 and P2)	(P1 and P2)	(P1 and P2)	(P1 and P2)	
Cost and Payment	Pay360 £3 per session (6 week block)	Pay360 £3 per session (6 week block)	Form to be sent home £6 per session (6 week block)	Pay360 £4 per session (6 week block)	
Places available:	25	15	25	25	

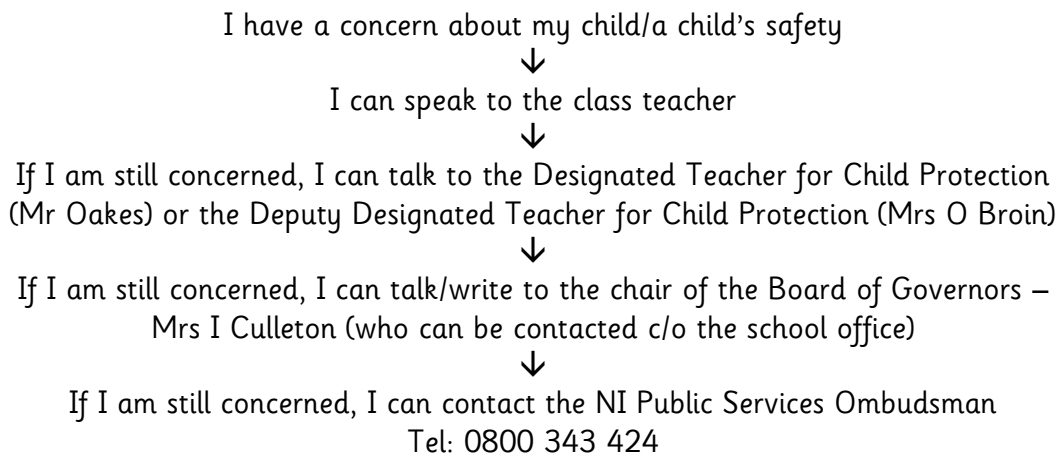
	Monday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
3.00 – 4.00pm	Football Skills	Nature, Gardening and Art	Junglenastix	Uplift	Max Coding
Classes:	(P5, P6 and P7)	(P3, P4, P5, P6 and P7)	(P3 and P4)	(P3, P4, P5, P6 and P7)	(P3, P4, P5, P6 and P7)
Cost and Payment	Pay360 £3 per session (6 week block)	Pay360 £3 per session (6 week block)	Form to be sent home £6 per session (6 week block)	Pay360 £4 per session (6 week block)	£6 per session Online link (6 week block)
Places available:	30	15	25	25	25
Dates:	Week 1: 12/09/22 Week 2: 26/09/22 Week 3: 03/10/22 Week 4: 10/10/22 Week 5: 17/10/22 Week 6: 24/10/22	Week 1: 12/09/22 Week 2: 26/09/22 Week 3: 03/10/22 Week 4: 10/10/22 Week 5: 17/10/22 Week 6: 24/10/22	Week 1: 13/09/22 Week 2: 20/09/22 Week 3: 27/09/22 Week 4: 04/10/22 Week 5: 11/10/22 Week 6: 18/10/22	Week 1: 14/09/22 Week 2: 21/09/22 Week 3: 28/09/22 Week 4: 05/10/22 Week 5: 12/10/22 Week 6: 19/10/22	Week 1: 15/09/22 Week 2: 22/09/22 Week 3: 29/09/22 Week 4: 06/10/22 Week 5: 13/10/22 Week 6: 20/10/22

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.





Monday 10th / Tuesday 11th October - Settling in updates (Details have been sent home)

Monday 10th October – Scholastic Book Fair arrives (see details below)

Tuesday 11th – Thursday 13th (parents welcome between 8:40am – 9:00am)

Friday 14th - (parents welcome between 8:40am – 9:00am and 3:00pm – 4:00pm)

Children will have the opportunity to browse and purchase books daily. If you are sending money in for your child to purchase books during the day, we would appreciate if you could send in a mixture of notes and coins.

Friday 21st October – Primary 6 Special Assembly at 1.15pm

Wednesday 26th October – Flu Vaccinations

Friday 28th October – Halloween Fancy Dress – 11am finish

Monday 31st October – Friday 4th November - Halloween Break

Monday 7th November – All children return to school after Halloween Break


Tuesday 8th November – Shoe Box collection (leaflet sent home with children or see flyer at the end of the Newsletter. (Please ensure any shoeboxes are in by Monday 7th November)

Tuesday 13th December – Christmas Pantomime at the Waterfront Hall (details to follow)


Thursday 22nd December – 11am finish for Christmas Holidays

Friday 23rd December – Thursday 5th January – Christmas Break (inclusive)

Dinner Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	10 th October	11 th October	12 th October	13 th October	14 th October
Week 3	<p>Breaded Chicken Goujons or Spicy Chicken in a Warm Tortilla Wrap</p> <p>Pasta Salad Sweetcorn Homemade Chilli Wedges</p> <p>Vanilla Ice Cream, Pears & Chocolate Sauce</p>	<p>Fish Fingers or Irish Stew & Wheaten Bread</p> <p>Baked Beans/Sweetcorn Mashed Potato Tossed Salad</p> <p>Swiss Roll filled with Yoghurt and Fruit</p>	<p>Roast Gammon or Salmon Tails</p> <p>Traditional Stuffing, Gravy Baton Carrots/Broccoli Oven Dry Roasted & Mashed Potatoes</p> <p>Rice Pudding and Melody of Fruit (P4 Shared Education Day - packed lunch needed - see note on Newsletter)</p>	<p>Breast of Chicken Curry & Rice, Naan Bread, Garden Peas Or Filled Baked Potatoes Salad Selection</p> <p>Frozen Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit Selection</p>	<p>Steak Burger with Bap or Vegetable Pasta Bake</p> <p>Tossed Salad/Coleslaw Chips Baked Potato</p> <p>Flakemeal Biscuit & Fresh Fruit Chunks</p>
	17 th October	18 th October	19 th October	20 th October	21 st October
Week 4	<p>Spaghetti Bolognese with Crusty Bread Or Tuna & Sweetcorn Wrap Half Baked Potato with Cheese Tossed Salad</p> <p>Honey Dew Melon Wedges and Ginger Cookie</p>	<p>BUFFET: Selection of Sandwiches (Chicken/Cheese/Tuna) Fish Bite Pizza Fingers Cocktail Sausages Carrot Sticks</p> <p>Fruit Muffin & Milkshake</p>	<p>Roast Beef or Salmon Tails</p> <p>Traditional Stuffing/Gravy Cauliflower Cheese Fresh Diced Carrots Oven Dry Roast & Mashed Potato</p> <p>Chocolate Brownie and Banana Chunk</p>	<p>Breast of Chicken Curry with Boiled Rice & Naan Bread, Garden Peas Or Savoury Mince</p> <p>Garden Peas Mashed Potato</p> <p>Fruit Crumble & Custard</p>	<p>Breaded Chicken Bites or Chicken & Cheese Panini</p> <p>Baked Beans Chipped/Baked Potato Tossed Salad / Coleslaw</p> <p>Jelly, Ice Cream & Fresh Fruit</p>

Dinner Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	24 th October	25 th October	26 th October	27 th October	28 th October
Week 1	Spaghetti Bolognese or Margherita Pizza Crusty Bread Sweetcorn Salsa Potato Salad Raspberry Ripple Ice Cream or Watermelon Chunks	Chicken Goujons or Chicken Stir Fry Sweetcorn or Red Pepper Homemade Chilli Diced Potatoes Frozen Smoothies & Fresh Fruit	Roast Loin of Pork or Salmon Tails Traditional Stuffing/Gravy Carrot & Parsnip and Broccoli Florets Oven Dry Roast & Mashed Potato Popcorn Cookies with Pear Slices & Black Grapes	Breast of Chicken Curry with Boiled Rice & Naan Bread or Chicken Panini with BBQ Sauce on the side Tossed Salad & Coleslaw Garden Peas Chocolate & Pear Sponge with Custard	School Closes at 11am for Halloween Break

THE 4W's

These are some ideas of things you might fill your
Team Hope Christmas Shoebox with:

WRITE



Pens/Pencils
Crayons
Paper/Copy Books
Colouring Books
Markers
Sharpeners
Erasers



WASH



Soap (wrapped)
Hairbrush
Comb
Toothbrush
Toothpaste
Facelcloth



WEAR



Socks
Underwear
Flip Flops
Hat
Scarf
Gloves



WOW



Cuddly Toy
Skipping rope/Yo-yo
Sweets (in date until 04/22)
Musical Instrument
Sunglasses
Toy Car
Doll
Ball



WHAT NOT TO INCLUDE:

Please do not send liquids (shampoo, bubbles), sharp objects, food/chocolate, books with lots of words, scary items (Halloween, war related, masks, toy snakes), breakables or medicines.