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Friday 11th November 2022

Stars of the Week. Very well done to all our Stars of the Week!

This week's Stars are:



P1 Amelia M

P2 Aine McA

P3 Lola O

P4 Grace W

P5 Lilianna M  Connor M

P6 Sophia G

P7 Scarlett C  Zak D



Odd Socks Day marks the start of Anti-Bullying Week.

On Tuesday 15th November, alongside their Break the Rule Day, the children will be able to wear odd socks. The day sends an important message that we should all be allowed to be ourselves free from bullying and helps us celebrate Anti-Bullying Week in a fun and positive way.

Learn and Play Afterschool Club

Our Learn and Play afterschool club will commence on Monday 14th November 2022.

An email has already been sent out to all parents giving details of this new afterschool club.

Payment can only be made on Pay360 and this will open on Friday 11th November 2022 at 1pm and close on Monday 14th November 2022 at 9am.

Primary 1 Stay & Play

Our Primary 1 Stay and Play date will be Tuesday 29th November 2022 at 1.10pm. We would encourage all P1 parents to come along to this lovely afternoon.

Primary 7 – Larne Grammar School – Familiarisation Day

The Primary 7 pupils who returned forms will be attending Larne Grammar School on Monday 14th November 2022 at 10am. If you have still not returned your form, please do so as soon as possible to allow your child to attend.



Many thanks to all the boys and girls who donated to the Christmas Shoebox Appeal. We had over 40 boxes to be collected by Team Hope. These gifts will bring joy to many vulnerable children across the world. You can read more about the amazing work of Team Hope on www.teamhope.ie

Travelling Books – Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who visited the Book Fair in October. We hoped you enjoyed reading your new books. The Book Fair raised an amazing amount of just over £1,000 and this will be used to purchase reading materials for all classes in the school.

Primary 7 Woodhall Trip

All Primary 7 pupils have received information about their Woodhall Trip in March. A payment plan has been set up on Pay360. Parents can either make payment in full or pay in instalments. If you have any issues with payment, please speak to the School Office and we can arrange a payment plan to suit.

St MacNissi's Facebook Page

Please follow our Facebook Page 'St. MacNissi's Primary School – Larne' and please 'like' our posts – it will keep you up to date with what is going on in school and the fun activities the pupils are participating in.

First Holy Communion Date

It has been confirmed with Fr O'Brien that the Primary 4 pupils will make their First Holy Communion on Saturday 20th May 2023 at 11am in St MacNissi's Chapel.

P6 Swimming Lessons

Primary 6 pupils swimming lessons will continue on Thursday 17th November this should be paid through Pay360. Parents can pay weekly (£4 per week). Pay 360 will open on Friday 11th November at 9am and will close on Thursday 17th November at 9am for the next session.

Flu Immunisation Programme

If your child missed their flu vaccination on Monday 24th October, the school nursing team will be coming back into the school at the end of November to carry out a further session. If you wish your child to have their flu vaccine before this, then please contact your GP

UEFA Disney Playmakers Programme

The Irish Football Association curriculum sports programme for Primary 3 and Primary 4 pupils, this will continue on Wednesday 16th November. P3 and P4 pupils should wear PE gear on Wednesdays.

Please wear appropriate bottoms and bring trainers in a bag.

Breakfast club

Breakfast Club is available every morning and is on a pay as you go basis. The cost is £2 per day and runs 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.

Pay 360 and Free School Meals

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 9.00am).

If any parents are still having issues with the Pay360 please call to the School Office.

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**



PTA Update

Thank you to all the boys and girls who attended the PTA Halloween Fancy Dress Disco. You all looked fantastic! Over £220 was raised and this will be used to purchase much needed school resources throughout the school.

Upcoming PTA Events

Our next event is Break the Rules Day on Tuesday 15th November 2022. The PTA would appreciate a donation of an unused gift (no alcohol please) to the value of £1 to £5, it can also be a homemade gift, for example a knitted scarf. These donations will then be used at our Children's Christmas Shopping Event in December where the children will be able to purchase a Christmas gift for a family member.

BREAK THE rules

TUESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER
YOU CAN BREAK UP TO 3 OF
THE RULES BELOW

1. Bring a healthy snack for break
2. Have neat and tidy hair
3. No temporary tattoos
4. No wearing nail polish
5. Do not wear trainers
6. Do not bring juice in your bottle
7. Wear matching socks

ON THIS DAY WE WOULD APPRECIATE A
DONATION OF AN UNUSED GIFT (VALUE
BETWEEN £1 AND £5).
THIS WILL GO TOWARDS OUR
CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SHOPPING
EVENT.

December Events:

Christmas Raffle

Children's Christmas shopping
event

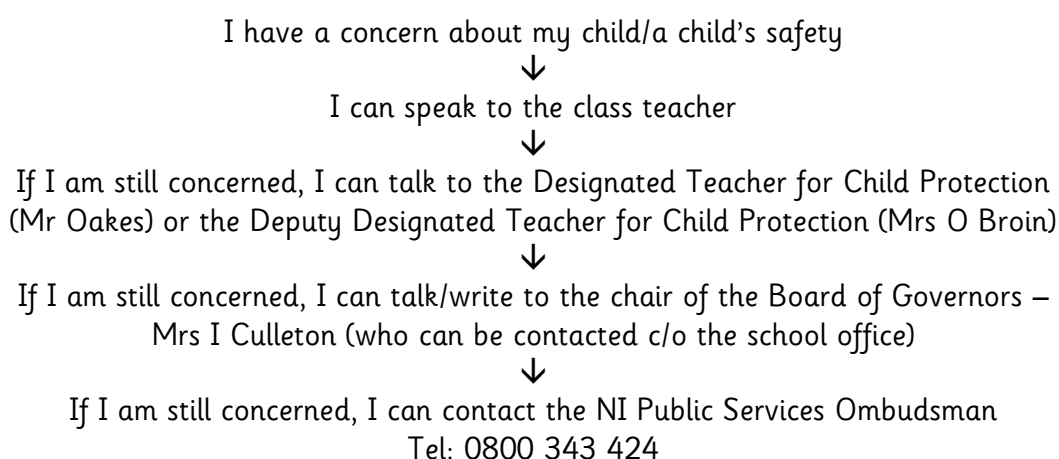
Special Visitor in December!

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.



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.



Tuesday 15th November – PTA Event – Break a Rule Day! See the poster on PTA Events. We ask for a donation of one item per child for our Christmas Shopping Experience – gifts can also be hand-made.

Wednesday 7th December – Open Night 5pm to 7pm – all new potential pupils and parents' welcome

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

Wednesday 14th December – School Christmas Dinner

Thursday 15th December – Primary 3 and Primary 4 – Christmas Play at 1.30pm

Friday 16th December – Primary 1 and Primary 2 – Christmas Play at 1.30pm


Tuesday 20th December – Primary 5, Primary 6 and Primary 7 – Christmas Play at 1.30pm

Thursday 22nd December – 11am finish for Christmas Holidays


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

Dinner Menu

Please Note for Week 4 only the roast dinner will be served on Thursday and not the usual day Wednesday.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	14 th November	15 th November	16 th November	17 th November	18 th November
Week 4	Spaghetti Bolognese with Crusty Bread or Tuna & Sweetcorn Wrap Half Baked Potato with Cheese Tossed Salad Honey Dew Melon Wedges and Ginger Cookie	BUFFET: Selection of Sandwiches (Chicken/Cheese/Tuna) Fish Bite Pizza Fingers Cocktail Sausages Carrot Sticks Fruit Muffin & Milkshake	Breast of Chicken Curry with Boiled Rice & Naan Bread, Gardens Peas Or Savoury Mince Garden Peas Mashed Potato Fruit Crumble & Custard	Roast Breast of Chicken or Salmon Tails Traditional Stuffing/Gravy Cauliflower Cheese Fresh Diced Carrots Oven Dry Roasted & Mashed Potato Chocolate Brownie and Banana Chunk	Breaded Chicken Bites or Chicken & Cheese Panini Baked Beans Chipped/Baked Potato Tossed Salad / Coleslaw Jelly, Ice Cream & Fresh Fruit
	21 st November	22 nd November	23 rd November	24 th November	25 th November
Week 1	Spaghetti Bolognese or Margherita Pizza Crusty Bread Sweetcorn Salsa Potato Salad Ice Cream Sponge Roll or Watermelon Chunks	Chicken Goujons or Chicken Stir Fry Sweetcorn or Red Pepper Homemade Chilli Diced Potatoes Frozen Smoothies & Fresh Fruit	Roast Breast of Chicken 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	Fish Fingers or Burger in a Bap Tossed Salad Baked Beans Chipped Potato/Baked Potato Fresh Fruit Selection & Fruit Chunks

Dinner Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	28 th November	29 th November	30 th November	1 st December	2 nd December
Week 2	<p>Oven Baked Sausages or Homemade Chilli Chicken</p> <p>Savoury Noodles Baked Beans/Tossed Salad Mashed Potatoes</p> <p>Pineapple Chunks Frozen Yoghurt</p>	<p>Lasagne & Crusty Bread or French Bread Pizza</p> <p>Sweetcorn & Peas/Asian Slaw Mashed Potato</p> <p>Jelly, Ice Cream with Sliced Peaches</p>	<p>Roast Breast of Chicken or Salmon Tails</p> <p>Traditional Stuffing/Gravy Savoy Cabbage/Diced Carrots Oven Roast Dry & Mashed Potato</p> <p>Chocolate Brownie with Raspberry Milkshake</p>	<p>Chicken Curry with Boiled Rice & Naan Bread, Garden Peas or Chicken & Cheese Panini</p> <p>Garden Peas Baked Potato Tossed Salad</p> <p>Apple Sponge & Custard</p>	<p>Steak Burger & Bap Or Breaded Fish Fillets</p> <p>Chipped/Baked Potato Tossed Salad Coleslaw</p> <p>Flakemeal Biscuit & Fruit Chunks</p>
	5 th December	6 th December	7 th December	8 th December	9 th December
Week 3	<p>School closed for Staff Development Day</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 Chicken or Salmon Tails</p> <p>Traditional Stuffing, Gravy Baton Carrots/Broccoli Oven Dry Roasted & Mashed Potato</p> <p>Rice Pudding and Melody Of Fruit</p>	<p>Breast of Chicken Curry & Rice, Naan Bread, Garden Peas or Chicken or Tuna Baguette (Cold) with Salad Selection & Half Baked Potato</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>

**Starting
1st November**



Latharna Óg GAC

Junior Training

**Tuesdays Indoors
@ The Cliff**

P1/P2 6.30 - 7.15

P3 & over 7.15- 8.00

£3 per session

**FOR MORE INFO FIND US ON FACEBOOK OR EMAIL
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