



# BALLYCLARE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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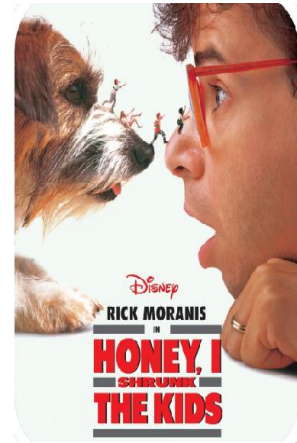


## OUTDOOR CINEMA EXTRAVAGANZA!

Thank you to all parents and pupils who have purchased tickets for tomorrow night's outdoor Cinema!  
If you have forgotten to get a ticket at the last minute – come along and pay at the gate.  
Gates open at 6:45pm. Film starts at 7:30 sharp.

Tea/Coffee and goodies will be available to purchase on the night pre Film start. Come along with chairs, rugs etc and enjoy! Remember – all pupils must be accompanied by an adult and all pets should be left at home.

Thank you.



## EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES

Our European Day of Languages will take place tomorrow. All pupils should dress in their colours - no uniform should be worn. We are collecting £1 for a Macmillan Cancer Care donation and school funds. Pupils should bring a little pocket money for our Special School Council Shop and some activities. Come and see our Pupil Parade if you can at 9:15am. Parade will leave via the Doagh Road gate, returning to school via School Street gate (weather permitting).



## EXTENDED SCHOOL'S ACTIVITIES (P4-7)

Our extended school's activities start this coming Monday and will run for a seven week session. Please encourage your child to attend for the full number of allocated weeks. Teachers prepare for these experiences and every P4-7 child gets House Points when they attend. Please ensure you have completed an Extended Schools Form for your child, highlighting their choices and home time arrangements and send this to class teachers. These forms will be given out to your child today or tomorrow.

## PARENT INTERVIEWS

All parents will receive letters from teachers with appointment times and dates allocated for interviews. A baseline report of how your child has settled this year will be given and an opportunity for you to tell the teacher any important information regarding your child, will take place. P4-7 parents will also get general feedback on their child's progress in Literacy and Numeracy testing.

The checking of data forms containing contact numbers etc. will be made at this meeting also, so please bring mobile numbers etc with you if these have changed since last term. Thank you to many parents who contact us directly when information changes. This is a great help and essential when an emergency contact is necessary throughout the school day. If you were unable to attend the Parent Meetings earlier this month, we will also ask you to sign a Photograph Form at your interview re school use of photographs.

I would remind parents that school closes for all pupils on the week of the interviews (23rd - 27th October) at 1:55pm. There will be no Extended Schools Activities during this week as teachers will be involved with meetings, but all activities will resume after the Half Term break.

## **CHOIR, ORCHESTRA & MUSIC GROUPS**

Our preparations for Christmas have already begun and the children will be working on songs and music each week. If your child is involved with Choir, Orchestra, Drama or Music Groups in any way, please encourage them to attend every practice (weekly) to ensure they reach their best standard.

Instrument practice is essential at home if your child gets peripatetic lessons or additional help from Mrs Hyde or Mrs Kennedy. This will bring pleasing results when it comes to grading exams in May next year.

We would ask that all EA/Ballyclare Primary School instruments on loan are cared for when at home. Most of these cost in excess of £300 to replace. Many thanks.

## **PARENT LIAISON**

Don't forget that Mrs McCollum, Mrs Mulligan and Mr McAuley, our Learning Support and Parent Liaison Staff, are in the playground entrance area every day to assist you with any minor issues or questions concerning school practice or your child. They will be able to help you (8:50 - 9:10am each morning) and save queuing at the Main Office.

## **P1 PARENTS' WORKSHOP – MONDAY/TUESDAY**

It was great to see so many parents attend our P1 Workshops to aid the home support of Phonics. We hope parents and carers found this workshop useful and that you will use the skills at home with your children.

Contact Mrs Sturgess (P1) if you need any other parent help.

## **FLU VACCINATION FORMS**

The closing date for the return of all Flu Vaccination forms is tomorrow, Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September. If you have not already done so, please ensure your child's form is completed and returned to their class teacher.

## **S.U. PARENTS**

Please note that all pupils will leave by the Assembly Hall door to go to the main entrance gate at Doagh Road at 4:00pm.

## **PARENT HELPERS**

Our parent helper forms are being sent to you, regarding assistance in school in various ways. We are pleased when parents return these forms. Thank you to those who have already volunteered for talks in school, library assistance, trips etc. This helps us very much and enriches our pupils' experiences.

## **MACMILLAN 'COFFEE MORNING'**

As a school we support this charity each year and we encourage you to do so in our local community by taking part in some of the Coffee Mornings advertised or having one in your workplace too.

Our donations tomorrow will go to this worthy cause. Please give generously.



*As always: If there is anything that concerns you in any way in school, please contact me via the school office or by e-mail if that is easier. I will always follow up any issues raised if I have your contact details.*

*Mrs Mulligan*



# CLASS AWARDS SEPTEMBER 2017



CLASS & TEACHER		MONTHLY STAR	BEST HANDWRITING
P1	Miss Campbell	JASMINE McCLAY GRACEY	HANNAH OFFICER
	Mrs Hyde	ELLIE McCONNELL	MYA COWIE
	Mrs Sturgess & Mrs Farquhar	RACHEL REID-	REBECCA McNEICE
P2	Mrs Irwin & Mrs Farquhar	OLLY HEASLIP	EMILY MASON
	Mrs Martin & Mrs Stewart	JAIMEE COWAN	WILL PEEL
	Miss Scott	LEONIE PEARSON	CAMERON FORSYHE
P3	Mrs Annett & Mrs Hall	BRADLEY ROCK	GABY LAIRD
	Mrs McNeilly & Mrs Hall	ROBBIE CHARNLEY	MATTHEW COLLINS
	Mrs McPherson	LEXXI SOMMERVILLE	REUBEN PATRICK
P4	Mrs McDowell & Mrs Anderson	LUCAS GOUGH	LAUREN O'HARA
	Miss Kernohan	KEIRA TAYLOR	DYLAN DARKOH
	Mrs Scott	LAUREN BLACK	DANIEL WEIR
P5	Miss McGoran	EMMA WEATHERUP	JESSICA SEMPLE
	Mr Heyburn	BRODIE MOORE	LELAND KIRK
	Miss McClung	MAX COWDEN	GRACE CALDWELL
P6	Mrs Arbuckle	NASH-LEE McARTHUR	MORGAN McCAUGHEY
	Mrs Shannon	SAM MULHOLLAND	SARAH AKANJI
	Mrs Watson	LELAND SOMMERVILLE	JESSICA DAVIDSON
P7	Mr Gordon	CAITLIN COOPER	SARA BEGGS
	Mr McAuley	ERIN COCHRANE	RHYS BOYD
	Mrs Kennedy	KAILEE SKELTON	LACEY VENNARD
L.S.	Mrs McCollum	AARON SHANNON (P2GS)	-