



BALLYCLARE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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→→→ TOTAL RAISED SO FAR IS: £1049.22 ←←←

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Apologies parents - I got the date incorrect. The After School Activities P4-7 will start on Monday 23rd April and not next week as was previously stated due to some staff being away on a school trip. The new timetable and choice slips will be sent out next week.

THANK YOU!

Many thanks to all parents who went to the bother of collecting sponsorship money for our School Funds for the Hop, Skip and Jump. We raised a huge £5560. Well done children, parents and Mr McAuley for organising us. A huge thank you to Mrs Drummond in our office who counted and banked it all also.

Many thanks to all the children and parents involved in our almost weekly bun sales for charity and school funds also. These are great.

Our Easter Competitions raised £275.90. Well done and thank you to the Heron, Snoddy and Wright families.

UNIFORM

Parents please note that Summer Uniform is now welcome in school for Term 3, when the weather is good. Girls cardigans are only to be worn with summer dresses please. Otherwise normal full uniform should be worn. Sport & Sound has produced a new crested cardigan for girls. Parents interested in having a look should call in and see. They look very smart.

P7 WOODHALL TRIP

Some of our P7 pupils go to Woodhall Outdoor Centre next week. We wish them a safe and enjoyable trip. Staff attending will be Mrs Mulligan, Miss McClung and Miss McGoran.

ALL THE BEST GIRLS!

Our Girls' Hockey Team will attend the NI Finals Day on Wednesday 18th April at Stormont. We are delighted to get this far and we look forward to a very enjoyable day playing other schools from across the province.

WELL DONE BALLYCLARE PRIMARY SCHOOL!

Mrs Irwin (P2) has entered us into the ICT Excellence Awards for 2018. We have been shortlisted for Assessment in May. We will keep you posted!



PARENT INFORMATION

Autism Exhibition in Greystone Primary School tonight, 12th April, 6:00 - 9:00pm. Please see flyer on school website for further details.



Ballyclare Primary School's Digital Detox



As part of our Digital Detox Week, all pupils and staff in school will be aiming to save energy during lessons. Our Digital Detox Week will run from Monday 25th April to Friday 27th April with a range of special events taking place throughout the week.

Why do a Digital Detox?

The challenge is to switch-off all non-essential electrical items (to include tablets, iPads, and games consoles), lights, screens, computers, and heaters or trying not to use electricity at all. We will be taking meter readings and comparing it to a 'normal' day. Hopefully we will see the amount of energy used greatly reduced.

Not only do we want to save energy, but we want to encourage pupils to try a new hobby or sport, play practical games, enjoy the outdoors and interact with others.

'Run a Mile a Day' Challenge

In school, KS1 and KS2 pupils will be set a challenge to 'Run a Mile a Day' and FS pupils will complete a range of circuits each day to include jumping, running and hopping. This challenge will take place in school and will encourage children to enjoy the outdoors and become more active in preparation for our Sports Day and Sports Festival.



'Digital Detox' at Home

Pupils will be encouraged to refrain from using technology at home. Parents will show whether or not their child successfully completed the 'Digital Detox' by signing a letter of approval. All classes who successfully complete the challenge will receive a special certificate.

What do the pupils need?

Every day during our 'Digital Detox' pupils should remember to bring a coat and pair of trainers to change into before heading outside. If you should have any queries or issues with your child taking part, please speak to their class teacher. Please check out our website for more information about what type of lessons will be taking place.

We are looking forward to "switching off" and getting outdoors.

Regards
Mrs. Scott

Digital Detox