



# BALLYCLARE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## REMINDER

- School is closed this Monday 7th May for pupils - May Day Holiday.
- School is closed on Monday 14th May for pupils - School Improvement Day for teachers.

## BUDGET PROBLEMS

Thank you again to all parents who continue to support us in a myriad of ways in school with Bun Sales, Gift Vouchers etc. We still need your help with the Easy Fund Raising we have ongoing and this will not cost you a penny! Just log on and shop online in the stores you usually use. (See attached information)

Following on from our successful World Cup Reading Challenge, we are running a quiz with questions on football, authors and books. The prize is a £50 M&S Voucher kindly donated by Mr & Mrs Heron. A quiz sheet has been sent home with this bulletin. If you wish to enter, simply complete the quiz and return it to your child's class teacher along with 50p. Remember - you may enter as many times as you wish!

Our Cash for Clobber scheme allows for a good clear out at home and you will be helping us too as we get some funds from the weight of your donations. (See attached information)

Get behind us folks and help wherever you can, we really appreciate all you do.

- ★ Remember our School Fair date - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June. Let Mr McAuley know if you can help practically or with prizes.

## MAY FAIR

The May Fair is fast approaching and we will send you information to help with parking etc when we get it from the May Fair Committee. Parking will still be available for all parents every day.

Traditionally, children attend the Fair on May Fair Day - 22<sup>nd</sup> May, so school closes at 12:00 on this day to permit them to enjoy it. We hear the horses are back this year!

## ICT EXCELLENCE AWARD

Our school has been nominated for an ICT Excellence Award and your thoughts on ICT in school are much appreciated. If your child has gained from ICT development in school and they are showing a passion for it, please email Mrs Irwin via [kmulligan818@c2kni.net](mailto:kmulligan818@c2kni.net) to share your views or experiences. Thank you.

## WOW P1!

Following a busy couple of weeks, our P1 pupils, and their parents, created the most amazing display of 'Monsters' for our front hall. Thank you for these.

Our P5 pupils had to remove their fabulous Chocolate Factories to make room! Well done P5 also. These were a constant source of discussion every day.

All year group parents - your creativity is always much admired in school and the interest shown in all of these projects is hugely appreciated.

## GDPR – General Data Protection Regulation

As with all things – change comes. Our school is currently undertaking awareness training for GDPR which comes into effect on 25<sup>th</sup> May.

Due to our current practices we have many systems in place to protect the data of our children and their families. New guidelines however have to be recognised so we will keep you informed when these are all agreed and in place. These new guidelines will affect all workplaces and many other online facilities we all use – so be aware.

## CONTACT PARENTS

Our ‘Contact Parents’ text messaging service is still in use. Please note that if the text cannot be sent to the first mobile number given in our Pupil Contact database, the computer system will send it to an alternative number on the list. Please ensure we have up to date working mobile numbers for parents at all times.

Due to the changes in GDPR, please ensure you have the consent of all contacts on our database, which you have given to us, for school to hold their details in a secure system.

## MEDICATION

We appreciate that parents are very vigilant about illness and do not send children to school with illnesses that can be contagious. Thank you for this. We go through a huge amount of Calpol and Piritin in school each term. If your child has benefited from this, why not donate a bottle of this medicine to Mr McAuley via the school office.

## FAIRTRADE

To conclude their Fairtrade topic, our P6 pupils organised and ran a Fairtrade tuck shop for P5-7 this week. The tuck shop has been a great success so far and the P6 pupils have really enjoyed planning, promoting and running it. Well done P6!

Thank you to all who participated in this and came to our shop. It has raised awareness of the Fairtrade Ethos and the people who work so hard in many countries to produce these goods.

Mrs Hall (P6)

## STARTING TIME

All parents, please note that school doors open from 8:45am for pupils to enter their classes, thus avoiding waiting in the hall or playground each morning. All pupils should be in their classrooms by 8:55am to enjoy the start of their school day.



A number of children who arrive late disrupt the class on entry and this is unfair to those who try to be here every day on time. Leave home in good time to ensure our Ballyclare traffic does not hold you up.

## BROKEN BONES/SURGERY

Should your child have an accident outside school and need medical care for broken bones, or require surgery, please contact Mr McAuley or Mrs Mulligan, for a return to school date.

Any child who has to stay at home for a time due to injury will be provided with activities from school to keep them up to date.

*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*

## Raise Money For Our School When You Shop Online ..... for FREE!

We have been signed up to raise money for our school every time you shop online. This is a really easy way to help us raise vital funds and won't cost you a thing!

The fundraising is run by a website called [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk). You can access it directly by clicking the link on our school website homepage.

To start, you have to register. It's free and will allow the money fundraised to go directly to our school page. The website won't ask for any additional money, other than to pay for the item you are shopping online for.

This is a very safe and easy way to help us raise money for our school. Please take a few moments to register and help us start collecting.

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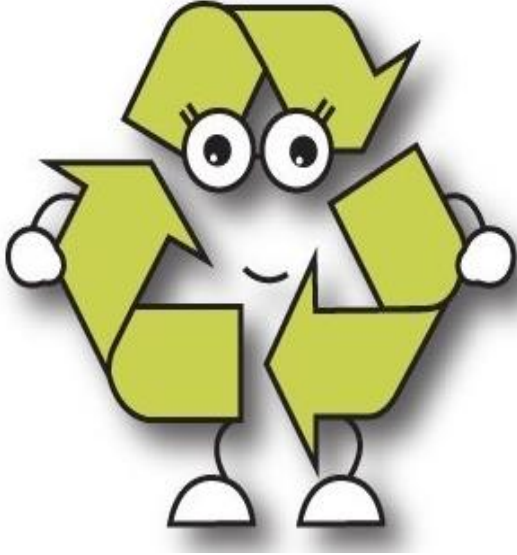
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## CASH FOR CLOBBER



Help us raise funds for our school by recycling unwanted clothing.



This Summer term is a busy one for Ballyclare Primary School and especially the Eco Council. Not only do we have our Green Flag application in progress but our Cash for Clobber school fundraiser is here again. All pupils will be involved in the scheme which starts on Tuesday 8th May and will run for 4 weeks. We ask that bags be returned on a Friday of each week so that they can be sent for weighing straight away. Get rid of those old winter woolies and make room for your new summer wardrobe. Send unwanted clothing, paired shoes, hats, scarves, bags, handbags, towels, bed linen and even curtains into school on Fridays.

**Please don't place quilts, pillows, soft toys or carpet in the bags.**

Remember the more you give the more our school gets!

We also recycle ink cartridges and old mobile phones. Just send them into school and we'll send them off to be broken down and reused as something else.

**Thanks for your support!**

*Mr Heyburn and Mrs Scott*

**Return Day: Fridays of each week**

**Return Deadline: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018**