



BEDTIME STORY THEME - WORLD BOOK WEEK

All pupils are invited to dress in pyjamas or bedtime clothes in school tomorrow for the finale of our Book Week. If they wish to wear a colour instead from the title/cover of their favourite book they are invited to do that instead. We look forward to all the creative ideas and to our parade at 9:15am – weather permitting.

DROP EVERYTHING AND READ

We have enjoyed our 'Drop Everything and Read' activities this week. As previously communicated, this was to raise funds for the NI Children's Hospice. A voluntary £1 donation is now available on the Teachers2Parents App. Thank you.

SCHOOL CLOSURES REMINDER

As you know, we will be closing on Monday 16th to Wednesday 18th March. This is for TranformED, School Development and St. Patrick's Day. We hope this gives a long weekend for our families.



UNIFORM

Thank you to all parents for maintaining our uniform standards which defines our school. All pupils arrive neat and well presented for the day ahead.

Remember, we have stores of donated uniform and shoes for the term ahead, should anyone run into difficulty/grow out of their uniform before the end of the year. Our uniform is not expensive but children grow out of it quickly. We are here to help.

EASTER HOLIDAYS

Our Easter Holidays start on Monday 30th March and children return on Monday 13th April.

School finishes for Easter on Friday 27th March for the end of term.

Rise and Shine Club is open as usual from 7:45am on the last day of term.

There is no BPS afterschool Club on the last day of term.

MUSIC FESTIVAL SPORTS EVENTS

We have a very busy week next week with pupils attending the music festival. Thank you to all parents who support these music endeavours and to our staff who train the pupils and are willing to go the extra mile for our children to enjoy these amazing experiences.

BOOK FAIR/COMPETITIONS

Thank you to all for the support given for our Book Fair and other Book Week Competitions we have been running this week. Mrs Arbuckle will give us some feedback on these next week.

NUT ALLERGIES

We have a number of pupils in school who suffer from a nut allergy. In some cases, this can be severe, where even the breath of a child who has eaten nuts can be a danger.

As such, please do not send any nuts or nut products into school. Thank you.

EXTENDED SCHOOLS (P4-7)

Our school activities run by staff will end on Friday 24th April. May and June have lots of other tasks which teachers are involved in to complete our school year and to prepare for the next year ahead. The better weather allows for children to play outdoors in May and June. Should childcare be needed in May/June please remember that our BPS Club is available from 3-5pm Monday to Thursday for P4-7 pupils. Booking can be made online. Our office staff will guide you.

STAYING SAFE

In school we are always teaching our children how to stay safe when they are out and about.

Children in P5-7 are instructed by us to return to school if a parent/carer is not there for them at a meeting point in the afternoon. Please reinforce safety rules at home with your child.

Thank you for working in partnership to keep our children safe.



THANKYOU

Well done to Sienna, Amelia, Lily, Caleb and Jack (P6) who raised £115.29 for the Craft Sale. Wow! Thank you for all your efforts at home to make the crafts and for all the enjoyment you gave.

FRIENDS OF BPS GROUP

Please watch out for a message to you for help we need in school for a major project. This is practical help and your willingness will be appreciated.

POTS!

We are also doing a gardening project in school for our Outdoor Learning. We need any plastic plant pots you can donate to us that are of a good condition but you've neglected to use or don't need. All sizes are welcome. Please bring to school for our World Around Us Team. Spring is almost here!

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