



# Ballyclare Primary School

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### "EVERYTHING IS BETTER WHEN WE ALL WORK TOGETHER"

Welcome to you all at the start of a new academic year. We are really delighted to see everyone back looking very smart and ready for the year ahead. Big welcome to the many new pupils who have joined us this year also.

A Few Key Messages/Reminders for the start of Term: Please note –

- Any pupil who breaks a bone/requires a cast or a boot etc from the hospital must not arrive INTO SCHOOL WITHOUT A MEETING WITH Mr Joyce (VP) to set up suitable arrangements to keep your child safe. Please contact the main office for an appointment.
- Any parent who may wish to send party invitations to pupils via school is welcome to do so if they are going to every child in the class group (or every girl or every boy). Should there be a smaller group attending then these should be distributed directly to those parents/friends outside of school.
- As a school we ensure children are safe while playing/doing practical activities by:
  - Having long hair tied back/no shaved hair designs or coloured hair.
  - Proper school shoes on
  - No jewellery being worn – earrings, necklaces, bracelets.
 This is our uniform policy, and we thank you for keeping this as agreed on enrolment.
- Hot Food – No hot “liquid” type food can be eaten in a classroom for packed lunch (e.g. soups, stews, noodles etc). If your child brings a hot lunch in a thermos etc they will be sent to the canteen to eat it there.  
\*Please ensure thermos lids are secure but not so tight that staff cannot remove them. Thank you!
- Exit Timing Reminders
  - P2-3 - Finish at 1:55pm Monday – Friday.
  - P4-7 - Finish at 2:55pm Monday – Thursday
  - P4-7 - Finish at 2:00pm on a Friday
  - P1-4 pupils must be met by an adult at their exit door.
  - P5-7 pupils can walk home or to an arranged meeting point independently.
 Please ensure all P5-7 pupils know their arrangements before leaving home in the mornings. This saves lots of worry at the end of the school day and emergency calls to our office.

- All pupils start school at 8:45am. Gates close at 9:00 sharp.
- Rise and Shine Early Drop Off starts at 7:45am. Cost £3.



### PARENT INFORMATION MEETINGS

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| Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> September  | P1 & 2<br>P3 & 4 | 6:30pm<br>7:15pm |
| Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> September | P5 & 6<br>P7     | 6:30pm<br>7:15pm |

All are welcome to attend. These meetings are for adults only so come along for a night out! We have great coffee shops in the town to enjoy afterwards! We have lots of useful information to share with you.

### PARKING PERMITS

Any parent/family who has not purchased their parking permits, please call at our school office. Cost £1.00 per permit.

### BPS (AFTERSCHOOL) CLUB

Parents, please note that children exiting this club at their chosen exit time will do so from our School Street door at the Music Room area of school. There is a bell to ring if you arrive early.

### DIGITAL MONEY SYSTEM

Our digital money system is working well and is efficient for families to use.

\*Please remember booking for [Afterschool BPS Club and School Meals](#) opens on Monday at 10am and closes on Friday at 12 noon. No late bookings can be accommodated.

### PIANO LESSONS (IN SCHOOL)

Anyone in P4-7 interested in a waiting list for lessons please contact Mrs McIlhagger (Tel: 07800787289).



### FOOD IN SCHOOL

We are strictly a ‘Nut Aware’ school. Pupils should not bring any food that contains nuts into school at any time. We have a number of pupils with allergies in our school so would ask you to pay particular attention to this.

We ask that for all children grapes should be cut up before packing them in a school lunchbox to prevent a dangerous choking hazard.

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