

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

MARCH 2023

A MESSAGE FROM MR FULTON



It always amazes me that the school year goes by so quickly – it is hard to believe that we are now in March, over half way through this academic year.

Thank you to parents / carers for taking the time to attend Parent – Teacher Interviews before the half term break. I trust that you found these meetings useful and that you continue to have an updated view of your child's attainment and progress in school.

Our children in P5 are currently getting ready to head away on their first residential. P5 children will go to Woodhall on Monday 6th March for two night – we all hope they have a really lovely time.

Thanks,

Mr C. Fulton
Principal

REMINDERS



SNACK SERVICE – School can provide your child with a daily snack. Cost £3 per week, sent into school on a Monday.



SCHOOL LUNCHES – School lunch menu is available on the school website.



KIDS' CAVE – A reminder that Homework Club / Kids' Cave booking envelopes are available from the school office.

FOOD BANK VOUCHERS

A reminder that we, as a school, are an authorised supplier of food bank vouchers for Carrickfergus Food Bank.

If you would like access to these vouchers, please do reach out. You can call school on 028 9335 1781 or e-mail Mr Fulton directly on cfulton579@c2kni.net.

Your request will be treated with the strictest confidence.



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The poster features the Victoria Primary School logo in the top left corner. At the top, there is a string of colorful Easter eggs and small flowers. The text 'Kids' Cave' is written in a playful font in the top right. The main title 'EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB' is in large, bold, blue letters. Below it, the dates 'MONDAY 3RD APRIL - FRIDAY 7TH APRIL' and the time '8AM - 1PM DAILY' are listed. The 'COST' section shows 'FULL WEEK - £100' or 'SINGLE DAYS - £25'. The 'INCLUDED...' section lists 'BREAKFAST ON ARRIVAL', 'MID-MORNING SNACK', 'SPORT ACTIVITIES', 'ART ACTIVITIES', 'MOVIE & DUVET DAY', and 'AND MUCH MORE.'.

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WOW!!!!

We have been amazed at the interest in our Easter Holiday Club. THANK YOU to all the parents / carers who have signed their children up to attend.

If you would still like to register your interest, please visit <https://forms.office.com/e/taCjePp7S6> to complete a short form. This link has already been sent out to all parents carers.

Need To Talk?



Mrs Jayne Orr

Designated Teacher for
Child Protection / Pastoral
Care

If you feel that you need to talk to school about any pastoral care concerns in relation to your child OR you have concerns in relation to any Child Protection matter, please make contact with Mrs Jayne Orr by calling school on 028 9335 1781.

Mrs Addis, Mrs Kernaghan, Mr Clarke and Mr Fulton are also members of the school's Safeguarding Team and can assist if Mrs Orr is unavailable.

Well Done P7s

A big WELL DONE to all our Primary 7 pupils who have now made application to Post Primary School.

It will be a long wait until the end of May until they find out what school they have been allocated, however, we hope that it works out well for each one of them.





St Patrick's Day. Reminder

A reminder that there will be **NO SCHOOL MEALS** on St Patrick's Day as the Education Authority does not provide school meals or school transport on this date.

ALL PUPILS, including those eligible for Free School Meals, should bring a packed lunch from home on Friday 17th March.



LOOK OUT!

The Eco Committee have a busy couple of weeks coming up - as they do every March.

Keep a look out for an order form for ordering Mother's Day Plants.

Keep a look out for information about GREEN DAY being organised by the school's Eco Committee.

STATE OF THE ART HALL SOUND SYSTEM

A massive thank you to our PTA for agreeing to fund a new sound system for our school hall. This will really help for all of our wonderful school performances and shows.



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Term Dates 2022 - 23

Term Dates	
August	<p>Wed 24th – P2 – P7 return (half day and half classes - surnames A – J only)</p> <p>Thurs 25th – P2 – P7 return (half day and half classes – surnames K – Z only)</p> <p>Fri 26th – P2 – P7 return (half day and full classes)</p> <p>Mon 29th – School Closed (Public Holiday)</p> <p>Tues 30th – P2 – P7 return to school full days.</p>
September	<p>Thurs 1st – P1 and Nursery children begin school. Specific dates and times will be communicated to individual parents.</p> <p>Fri 30th – School Development Day (School Closed)</p>
October	Mon 31 st – School closed for half term
November	<p>Tues 1st – Thurs 3rd – School closed for half term</p> <p>Fri 4th – School Development Day (School Closed)</p>
December	<p>Thurs 22nd – School closes at 12noon for all pupils.</p> <p>Fri 23rd – Fri 30th – School closed for Christmas Holidays</p>
January	<p>Mon 2nd – Thurs 5th – School closed for Christmas Holidays</p> <p>Fri 6th – School Development Day (School Closed)</p> <p>Mon 9th – P2 – P7 pupils return to school. OPEN DAY (Nursery and P1 pupils off today)</p> <p>Tues 10th – Nursery and P1 pupils return to school.</p>
February	<p>Mon 13th – School Development Day (School Closed)</p> <p>Tues 14th – Fri 17th – School closed for half term</p>
April	<p>Mon 3rd – School Development Day (School Closed)</p> <p>Tues 4th – Fri 14th – School Closed for Easter Holidays.</p>
May	<p>Mon 1st – Bank Holiday (School Closed)</p> <p>Tues 2nd, Wed 3rd & Thurs 4th (School Closed)</p> <p>Fri 5th – Holiday Day (School Closed)</p> <p>Mon 8th – Bank Holiday (School likely to be closed for additional Bank Holiday for King's Coronation)</p> <p>Thurs 18th – Local Election (School Closed)</p> <p>Mon 29th – School Development Day (School Closed)</p>
June	<p>Tues 27th – P7 pupils finish at 12noon.</p> <p>Fri 30th – School closes for Summer Holidays</p>

