



November 2015



DATES FOR DIARY

Saturday 7th: AQE test 1
Sunday 8th: Choir Performing in Presbyterian Church at 3pm for Remembrance Sunday
Tuesday 10th: Arts and Crafts Club (3-4pm) starts
Wednesday 11th: Extreme Team Assembly
Friday 13th: P4-P7 Internet Safety Workshop; 5-7pm Parents Internet Safety Workshop - add yourself as attending to our event on our Facebook page
Monday 16th: Ant-Bullying Week begins
Tuesday 17th: School Nurse in to administer flu spray; Mrs Hay's last day before beginning maternity leave
Thursday 19th: School Photos
Saturday 21st: AQE test 2
Thursday 26th: Puzzle Day
Friday 27th: Pupil of the Month Assembly
Saturday 28th: AQE test 3

INTERNET SAFETY

Further to the flier sent home last month, feel free to attend a parents' Internet Safety Talk on Friday 13th November at 7-9pm in our school assembly hall. Please add yourself to the event on our Facebook page to help us gauge numbers.



Puzzle Day

Puzzle Challenge Days use 3D puzzles and challenges to help children work together, improve their personal learning and thinking skills, boost their confidence and raise their expectations of what they can achieve.

From 3-4.30pm there will be a **family programme** where the children can show you what they have learned and you can solve new challenges together. At the end of the session there will be a puzzle shop and you will have the opportunity to purchase thinking games and puzzles for home. We have lots of these games in Miss Connor's room and they are great fun! We are very thankful to PTA for paying for this wonderful event for our children!

Please inform the school office if you will be able to attend the family programme.



SCHOOL CHOIR

Our school choir has been formed and will make their first performance with Mrs Crosbie and Mrs Young at Donemana Presbyterian Church Remembrance Service at 3pm on Sunday 8th November. All are welcome to attend!



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

Anti-Bullying week will run from Monday 16th November. During this week, children in all classes will be doing a range of role play scenarios and work relating to anti-bullying. By the end of the week children will clearly understand what a bully is and who to speak to in school if they have a problem.

MRS CROSBIE'S NEWS

After almost 15 years working at Donemana Primary School, Mrs Crosbie will be taking up a new teaching post in Omagh after Christmas. We will all miss her and wish her every success in her new school.



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HARVEST

A huge 'THANK YOU' for all the food that was sent into our annual Harvest assembly. The children bagged 30 goodie bags of items for the senior citizens who greatly appreciated the efforts of the children. The senior citizens kindly gave our school a tin of sweets which were enjoyed by the children! Well done to Emma C for playing so well during our assembly!



COMPETITION WINNERS!

BIG congratulations to Emma C and Isaac who were winners in an art competition for National Parent Week. Both children travelled to the Odyssey in Belfast to receive their 1st and 2nd prize of a Galaxy tablet and National Trust passes!



AQE TESTS

Primary 7 children in our own school and across the province will be busy on Saturday 7th, 21st and 28th November as they sit their entrance tests. We wish all the children who are taking part the very best!

CLOTHING BANK

Don't forget to recycle any unwanted textiles in our clothing bank.

PARENT INTERVIEWS

Thank you to all parents for attending our recent parent interviews. We hope you found them useful and informative.

LEARNING THIS MONTH!

The following is a brief 'snapshot' relating to the learning this month in each class!

P1- Literacy- sounds- r,m,d,g,o,u,l,f,b. Keywords and sentence work

Numeracy- Time, numbers 5-10, problem solving

Topic-If you go down to the Woods.

ICT- Typing skills and phonic games.

P2 Literacy - Linguistic Phonics - CCVC, CVCC and multi-syllable words. Recount writing.

Numeracy- addition, subtraction, Time, problem solving

WAU- If You Go Down To The Woods.

ICT- Penguin Maths app, addition/ subtraction/ Time games

P3

Literacy- writing skills.

Numeracy- tens and units, data handling

ICT- power point and RM Starter Graph

WAU - Houses and Homes

P4/5

Literacy- Poetry, letter writing

Numeracy- doubling, halving, handling data, multiples

ICT- NINA, NILA

WAU- Me, myself and I.

P6/7

Literacy - Letter writing

Numeracy - Division, fractions, shape

ICT- NINA, NILA

WAU-Mind your Own Business!