

Ballynure Primary School Newsletter

Website Ballynureps.org

3rd March 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

ADVANCE HOLIDAY NOTICE 2022

School will be open on 17th March (St. Patricks Day). There will be no buses or school meals served on 17th. All children should bring a packed lunch.

Easter Holiday Monday 11 – Friday 22 April inclusive.

P1 PARENTS

As all the P1-P3 children now finishing at 2.00pm daily, we would ask that from tomorrow P1 parents/carers come into the space between the two gates in order to collect their P1 children. This will enable the P1 teacher and classroom assistant to hand over the children more easily.

ADVICE ON THE POST-PRIMARY TRANSFER PROCESS FOR PARENTS AND CHILDREN IN P6

The Department of Education has previously produced a document for parents in P6 on the post-primary transfer process which schools were asked to distribute to their P6 pupils. This year however, the Department have decided to make the document available electronically and that primary schools must inform their P6 parents about the link to download the document from the Department's website.

<https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/publications/transfer-process-post-primary-school-advice-parents-children-primary-six>

KS2 Parents - Text help Read&Write software

The EA has made available to all children software that supports your child when reading and writing text online. This software toolbar is particularly beneficial for children who experience spelling, reading or literacy difficulties and children with dyslexia. One helpful feature is that the software can read text to your child e.g. if they were completing a research project and it also uses predictive text to help them as they write online. You will need your child's c2k email address to access the software and Key Stage 2 children should know this. If your child is unsure of their c2k email address, please contact their class teacher. For further information, please see the attached leaflet.

UKRAINE APPEAL

Many of our pupils have been asking us questions about the situation in Ukraine, talking about Ukraine at home and watching the news. We always like to encourage our pupils to think about others and to be kind.

At this time, we have decided that will raise funds for the British Red Cross which has launched an appeal to help the Ukrainian Red Cross to provide food, water, medicine, clothing, shelter and other assistance. We know that you may have already donated money or provided support to help the people of Ukraine and the agencies working on the ground. For those of you who would still like to donate money, we will collect donations in each classroom until next Tuesday afternoon.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

LOST PROPERTY

A P6 size Navy Ballynure Primary School coat has gone missing. Please check if this coat has been taken home by mistake.

Also we have a collection of single gloves, hats, coats and school jumpers with no names. Please ensure that all items of clothing are named.

AFTERSCHOOL FOOTBALL

We are looking for a volunteer to help with the afterschool Football on Tuesdays 3.00pm- 3.40pm. All volunteers will have to comply with Access NI vetting procedures. Please contact Mrs Livings elivings273@c2kni.net if you would like to volunteer.

WATER BOTTLES

Please ensure your child comes to school each day with their water bottle.

YOUNG MUSICIAN SUMMER ACADEMY

The Education Authority has asked schools to bring to the attention of parents and pupils details of their P6, P7 & Y8 music course.

An EA Music Service 4-day course for P6, P7 & Y8 musicians that combines music making with games/activities. Friday 1st July 2022 to Monday 4th July 2022 9.30am – 4.00pm at Antrim EA Centre or Ballycastle High School – Cost £70. For more details, ring 02894 482235 or musicservice.antrim@eani.org.uk

SCHOOL MEALS MENU

Monday 7th March – Friday 11th March

For further information on allergenic ingredients, please contact the school

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Bites & Salad, Chips or Baked Potatoes & Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Chicken Curry & Boiled Rice, Naan Bread & Carrot Sticks & Chocolate Brownie with Fresh Fruit	Salmon Cakes, Beans, Mashed Potatoes with Crusty Bread & Apple Sponge & Custard	Roast Gammon, Cabbage & Carrots, Mashed & Oven Dry Roast Potatoes & Gravy & Jelly & Ice Cream	Pasta Bolognaise, Tossed Salad & Crusty & Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt

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