



Newsletter: 11th April 2024

We aim to create a warm, welcoming school where each child feels happy, safe, self-confident and valued; and strives, with the help of caring, committed staff, to fulfil his or her potential.

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Summer Term – Key Dates

We are delighted to welcome our pupils back for a busy summer term! With so much already in the calendar, I wanted to give you an idea of confirmed dates so far. These dates should also be updated on the website calendar for your reference:

Monday 15 th April	Friends of Ballynure Meeting
Tuesday 16 th April	Boys' NI Hockey Finals
Wednesday 17 th April	School Photographs
Wednesday 17 th April	P6 Parent Interviews
Wednesday 17 th April	P7 Residential – Parents' Meeting
Friday 19 th April	Girls' NI Hockey Finals
Thursday 25 th April	P6&7 Grand Opera House Trip
Friday 3 rd May	Larne Kwik Cricket Tournament
Monday 6 th May	School Closed – May Day
Wednesday 8 th – Friday 10 th May	P7 Residential
Tuesday 21 st May	Half Day Closure for Ballyclare May Fair
Friday 24 th May	School Closed – Staff Development
Monday 27 th May	School Closed – Bank Holiday
Wednesday 29 th May	P6&7 Sports Event at BRA
Friday 31 st May	Mighty Mile
Friday 7 th June	Sports Day
Saturday 8 th June	Summer Fair
Friday 14 ^h June	Olympics Day
Friday 21 st June	P7 Leavers' Assembly and BBQ
Friday 28 th June	Last Day of Term

Details of each event will be communicated in good time via the newsletter or email. Any additions to the above dates will be added to the website calendar and communicated.

Safeguarding

The safety and wellbeing of our children is our top priority. If you ever have any concerns about your child, or other children, please inform Mr Trussell (Designated Teacher for Child Protection), Mrs Galashan (Deputy Designated Teacher for Child Protection), or your class teacher.

Matilda Photograph Orders

Photographs have been sent for printing. We will update you as soon as they are ready for collection. Many Thanks!



Friends of Ballynure Summer Fair



Our next Friends of Ballynure meeting will be held on Monday 15th April at 3:15pm.

This is a very important meeting regarding the organisation of our Summer Fair.

It would be great to have as many parents as possible at this meeting to help with ideas/contacts for the fair.

I look forward to seeing you then!

Afterschool Clubs

We are striving to provide as many opportunities as possible for your children and in as fair a way as possible.

Unfortunately, we are limited in our options due to having a small staff. We are, however, looking at different options to provide an even broader range of extra-curricular clubs, for our whole school, for next year.

Pupils in P4-7 received a note in their bag on Wednesday of this week. This note allows you to sign your children up to all clubs in the summer term. The note should be returned to school no later than Friday 12th April. All relevant details are included on the note.

Please remember, in addition to our extra-curricular clubs, we also have our very popular Afternoon Club available, bookable for just £3.50 per hour.

School Photographer

The photographer will be in school on Wednesday 17th April to take individual photos of each of our children; along with family groups, year groups and sporting photos.

We will assume that all children will have their photograph taken, however if you would rather your child was not photographed, please inform Mrs Millar at the school office, by Tuesday 16th April.

With regards to family photos, all siblings will have a photo taken together, unless you inform Mrs Millar otherwise. In addition, we welcome younger siblings to come to school to join a family photo, from 8.40am on 17th April.

Please note: There is no obligation to purchase photos.

Car Parking

Once again, we would encourage our families to be mindful of where they are parking at drop off and collection times. Please be considerate of our neighbours and their properties. To assist with this, we are continuing to work on a solution to the difficulties that car parking brings.