



JUNE 2023 NEWSLETTER



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Dear families and friends

We are nearing the end of another busy school year and we have much to celebrate and be thankful for. Please find included in this letter some important dates and information in preparation for our final countdown.

JUNE DATES FOR THE DIARY

May school closures:

Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th May

June closure:

School closes on Friday 30th June at 12 noon for the summer holidays.

SPORT'S DAY 2023-Friday 2nd June 2023 (weather permitting)

We are looking forward to our annual Sport's Day. It has always been a memorable day where we can all come together and enjoy good company and cheer the children on.

We have planned our Sport's Day for Friday 2nd June 2023. In the absence of a crystal ball, this calendar date is always weather dependant but according to the BBC 10-day weather forecast, it is expected to be sunny. This is good news so we are hopeful it will go ahead as planned.

If too wet, plan B would be to select another dry day in the week beginning 5th June.

I would encourage you to keep a look out for messages with updates or changes. These will be sent via the website and should reach you on your phone through the Schools NI App. If you are not receiving messages, please update your notifications.

WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT SPORT'S DAY 2023?

In advance of Sport's Day, I wanted to share the following information:

- Sport's Day will begin at 9.30am approx. and will finish at 12.30pm.
- The children will be given their lunch at 12.30pm and all children will go home at 1.00pm. If not yourself, please tell the person who collects your child.
- The lunch will be a picnic style so can be taken home if you wish to take your child at 12.30pm.

- If your child usually takes a packed lunch and wishes to have the picnic style lunch please send in £2.60 as normal.
- Sport's Day will take place on the bottom playground. You may wish to park at the entrance to the Shepherd's Glen gate for ease of access.
- Families and friends are welcome to attend.
- Dogs/Smoking/Vaping are not permitted inside the school grounds.
- Refreshments will be available for families and friends at a small cost.
- Please send £1 to school with your child to cover the cost of a drink and a tuck bag.
- Your child will be part of a HOUSE TEAM so will be asked to wear a specific-coloured t-shirt. Ask your child what his/her colour is. The younger children will be given a note with their colour.
- Please apply sun cream and provide a sun hat to protect from the sun.
- The children will remain with their class and under the supervision of the class teacher throughout the Sport's activities. This is the best way to safeguard the children and keep everyone safe.
- The toilet facilities for adults in the school will be signposted. Adults are not permitted to use the pupil toilets.
- There is no Caterpillars, Butterflies or 325 Club

REMINDER 325 CLUB NEWS

- The 325 Club will not be available on:
- Sport's Day (Friday 2nd June)
- Thursday 22nd and
- Friday 23rd June 2023.
- The club will finish on Wednesday 28th June 2023 for this academic year.

OTHER DATES

| MAY 2023 | | | | | | |
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| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat | Sun |
| 29 School Closed Bank Holiday | 30 School Closed | 31 Multisports finishes for P1 & P2 and P4 for this term | | | | |

June 2023

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat | Sun |
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| | | | 1 SWIMMING FOR P5 & P6 Multisports finishes for P3 and P5 | 2 9.30am Sport's Day (weather permitting) Children home at 1.00pm | 3 | 4 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 P6 Transfer Meeting 3.00pm in the P6 classroom. | 8 SWIMMING FOR P5 & P6 FAN THE FLAME MASS FOR P7 PUPILS | 9 P1 Assembly Credit Union visit to P7 | 10 | 11 |
| 12 9.30am- Primary 1 Induction Meeting | 13 | 14 P7 trip to Creggan Country Park | 15 SWIMMING FOR P5 & P6 | 16 Father's Day breakfast 8.30am | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 SWIMMING FOR P5 & P6 Sport's Day Prizegiving No 325 Club | 23 Whole School Fun Day (to be confirmed) No 325 Club | 24 | 25 |
| 26 Whole school mass in the chapel | 27 P7 Leaver's Assembly | 28 Playgroup Graduation in the hall 325 Club finishes | 29 No 325 Club | 30 School finishes at 12 noon No 325 Club | | |

UNIFORMS-REUSE/RECYCLE

We have a collection of preloved uniforms in the Infant reception area-please have a look and take what you will use.

If you have uniforms that your child is finished with and they are still in good condition, please consider sending these into school. We will be happy to accept used uniforms in good condition, to either pass on to other children or to have as spares in school.

FREE SCHOOLS MEALS (FSM)

The application for FSM is not open yet but please do not hesitate to apply early, keep a look out for the process opening. It can be found on the link below.

[Apply for Free School Meals / Uniform Grants | Education Authority Northern Ireland \(eani.org.uk\)](https://www.eani.org.uk)



HOLIDAYS 2023/24



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DATES MARKED IN GREEN ARE DAYS WHEN SCHOOL IS CLOSED

Please visit our school website for all the latest school news.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs. Bacheta and staff