



St. Anne's Primary School

- **Reminder: Mid-Term Break** - The school will close at 12 noon for all pupils on **Friday 10th February**. There will be no school dinner however, the school bus will be available to take the children home. The school will **re-open** at 8.50am on **Monday 20th February**.
- **Industrial Action on Tuesday 21st February**—Please see the attached letter from Mr Duffin.
- **After School Multi Sports for P4-P7 pupils** will begin on Tuesday 21st February from 3-4pm and continue for 5 weeks until Tuesday 21st March. The cost is £12.50 per child. **Please complete the online form on the school website under "Parents/After School Clubs" by Friday 10th February.**
- **School Milk**—Please complete the online order form on the school website under "Parents/School Milk" and send the fee into school in an envelope with your child's name on it by **Friday 10th February**. The cost is **£7 per child**.
- **Cumann na mBunscol Quiz**—Well done to our quiz team who competed in St Ciaran's PS, Cushendun last week. Photos of the quiz are available to view on the school website.
- **Cumann na mBunscol Fun Blitz**—On Wednesday, some of our P3 & P4 pupils travelled to Dunloy to take part in the tournament, organised by Gaelfast. A great afternoon was had by all! Photos of the event are available to view on the school website
- **Safer Internet Day** was on **Tuesday 7th February** and we celebrated with the theme "Want to talk about it?" At our assembly, we discussed how useful the internet can be but also how it can have its drawbacks. Please use this as an opportunity to chat with your children about their interaction with others online in the games and apps they use.
- **Dates for the Diary**—
- **Peace Proms 2023**—St Anne's PS and Knockahollet PS will be taking part in the Peace Proms Choir. The event will be staged at the SSE Arena, Belfast on **Sunday 26th February 2023 at 1pm**. Tickets can be purchased from www.ssearenabelfast.com or by calling 0844 847 2455.
- **Confirmation** will be on **Thursday 23rd March** (time to be confirmed).
- **First Holy Communion** will be on **Saturday 13th May** (time to be confirmed).

Thursday
9th February 2023



Remember:

- The **Thursday Note and Dinner Menu** are available on the school website: www.stannespscorkey.com
- Lots of other news and information is also available to view

School Dinners

- The price of a **school meal** is £2.60 per day or £13.00 per week. Dinners for the week (paid and free) should be ordered on the school website by 9am on Monday morning.

Collection of Children

- Class Teachers should be informed of any changes to arrangements for collecting children. Please send a note to school with your child or email gmclements388@c2kni.net before 12 noon.

Please turn over

- **St Anne's PTA "Split the Pot" has it's next winner!** Callie McMullan won an amazing £76 in this week's draw. Well done Callie!. A huge thanks to everyone for their support. We have sent home two envelopes to each family but feel free to return as many as you like! **Envelopes are also available to complete in all the usual outlets.**

•**EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS**

Every single day a child is absent from school equates to a day of lost learning.

100% Attendance	0 Days Missed
95% Attendance	9 Days of Absence
90% Attendance	19 Days of Absence
85% Attendance	28 Days of Absence
80% Attendance	38 Days of Absence
75% Attendance	46 Days of Absence

90% may seem like an acceptable level of attendance, but the reality is that 90% attendance means that your child will miss half a school day each week or 19 days of school during the school year - that's nearly 4 school weeks! **School attendance will be focused on by our Board of Governors this term.**

- **School absences** must be reported in writing to your child's teacher as soon as possible, usually on your child's return to school. This ensures the correct absence code can be entered to the official attendance register. A pro-forma is available to download from the school website.
- **Best Attendance**—Congratulations to P1 & P2 who had the best attendance in January.
- **School Dinner**—An online menu order for next week is available to complete on the school website. After completion, please send the fee in an envelope with your child's name on it by **Monday morning**. As the dinners are prepared in St Patrick's kitchen, the cooks must know the numbers in advance.
- **Swimming** for P7 will continue on Wednesday 22nd February. The cost is £3 per child.
- **Violin Tuition**—continues on Wednesday 22nd February 2023.
- **Loughguile Credit Union**—School savings collections will continue on Wednesday 22nd February.



•**Allergy Aware School:** As we have a number of children with nut and egg allergies, please send no nuts (including products containing nuts) or eggs to school as lunch items.

•When paying dinner and milk money cheques should be made payable to: **The Education Authority—NE Region**. Everything else (After Schools Clubs etc.) should be made payable to St Anne's PS.

•**Healthy Breaks:** Please send only fruit or a plain biscuit to school as a break-time snack. **ONLY water or milk may be taken at break-time**. One sweet or savoury treat is appropriate for lunchtime. No fizzy drinks should be brought to school at any time.