



# St. Anne's Primary School

- **Strike Day** — will take place on the morning of **Wednesday 29th November**. Children should come to school at **12:10pm**. There will be no bus to bring children to school but it will collect the children as usual at 2pm & 2.50pm. (See attached letter with all the details.)
- **The P7 SEAG Assessment** — Good luck to anyone doing the SEAG paper 2 on Saturday.
- **Sr Patricia** — Thank you to everyone who very kindly made a donation to our "Wear Red Day" last Friday. We raised £60! Congratulations to Mrs O'Hara and the team on their victory.
- **Indoor Hurling** — Well done to the boys, they played well but were unlucky on the day.
- **Causeway Twilight Market** — will be held in Loughgiel Millennium centre on Friday 24th November from 6pm to 9pm. Lots of local businesses selling Christmas gift ideas. Please see the school website for more details.
- **Road Safety Week** — As this is "Road Safety Week" we would ask the children to wear reflective/bright or hi vis gear, if they have some, over the top of their school uniform to emphasise the importance of road safety.
- **Parentline NI Nutrition For Kids The Formative Years Fussy Eating** — Parentline is delighted to have Dr Kirsty Porter a children's dietitian from Nutrition4kidsNI deliver a session for parents on Friday 1st December from 10-11.30am via zoom. Dr Kirsty will share expert advice, practical tips and answer your fussy-eating related questions. Don't miss this opportunity to master mealtimes and get your kids to try new foods. To book a place call free on 0808 8020 400. Please see more details on the school website homepage.
- **Date for the Diary:-** St Anne's Christmas Show will be held on the evening of **Thursday 14th December**. We will also be having a **matinee show on Wednesday 13th December**. More details to follow
- **Pupils' Christmas Dinner** — will take place on **Tuesday 19th December**. Children can wear their Christmas jumpers to school. Order forms have been sent home today. Please complete and return to school with the money, if applicable, before Wednesday 6th December.
- **Radio Cracker** — As part of our Shared Education programme with Knockahollet Primary School, a trip to sing some Christmas carols has been planned for **Monday 18th December**. More details to follow.
- **St Anne's PTA "Split the Pot" has it's next winner** Sophia Lavery won an amazing £76 in this week's draw. Well done Sophia! 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.**
- **Split the Pot "Winner Takes All"** — To celebrate the birthday of "Split the Pot" and to thank everyone for their continued support the draw on **Wednesday 29th November** will give one lucky winner the chance to take all the pot.
- **Split the Pot Bulk Buy** — The current period ended yesterday. We have sent home envelopes with our pupils today. If you require any additional envelopes, please contact any PTA member or the school office. Envelopes are also available in all the usual outlets. These should be returned to school by Wednesday 29th November. Purchases can also be made using the QR code to the right.

Thursday  
23rd November 2023



## Remember:

- The **Thursday Note and Dinner Menu** are available on the school website: [www.stannespscorkey.com](http://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](mailto:gmclements388@c2kni.net) before 12 noon.

QR Code for Split the Pot  
Bulk Buy



Scan to pay

- **Split the Pot Pupil Draw for £5** — continues next week. Remember, every pupil who brings a completed envelope into school for the weekly draw is entered into the pupil draw to win £5. This will take place every week at Assembly—every envelope = one entry into the draw. All bulk buy envelopes will be entered for 10 weeks.
- **Best Attendance** — Congratulations to P3 & P4 who had the best attendance in October!
- **Peace Proms 2024** — 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 25th February 2024. Tickets can be purchased from [www.ssearenabelfast.com](http://www.ssearenabelfast.com) or by calling 0844 847 2455
- **Pantomime** — A trip to **The Grand Opera House** on **Thursday 11th January 2024** to see "**Snow White**" had been arranged for all our pupils. St Anne's PTA have once again very generously agreed to cover the transport costs. This means the cost of the trip will be £13 per pupil. A permission slip has been sent home and is also available to print from the school website. **Please complete and return with the payment/next instalment as soon as possible.** Extra copies of the permission slip can be printed from the school website and can be obtained from the school office
- **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.
- **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.
- **Education Welfare** — will be informed of pupils with attendance falling below 85% at any time throughout the year.
- **Swimming** — For P5 & P6 will continue every Wednesday. The cost is £3.00 per child per week.
- **Violin Tuition** — Continues every Wednesday.
- **Loughguile Credit Union** — School savings collections will continue every Wednesday. Anyone who would like to become a member can obtain an application form from the school office.
- **Curricular Hurling with Woody** — continues every Friday.
- **P5-P7 Lunchtime Hurling/Camogie** — Children may bring in their sticks and helmets.
- **After School Clubs** — Soccer Club will continue every Tuesday until 5th December with a coach from JDLC. Parents will have to arrange to collect their children at 4pm.
- **Free School Meals** — If you think that your child/children may be entitled to free school meals, application forms are available from the Education Authority Website: [www.eani.org.uk](http://www.eani.org.uk). **These applications have to be renewed annually**, therefore we would encourage parents to submit their applications if they have not already done so. **Any applications or enquiries are completely confidential. We encourage all who are eligible to apply**, even if they do not intend to take a free meal, as our school funding can be supplemented by the Department of Education if we have a significant number of children entitled to free school meals.
- **Smart Watches** — Children are not permitted to bring a watch or any other device to school which has the capacity to take photographs. These devices can be very expensive and the school cannot guarantee they will not be damaged or lost during normal school activities, therefore they should be kept at home.
- **St Patrick's Choir** — Practices will continue on **Thursdays at 7.30pm** in St Patrick's Church. All singers & musicians from P4 and above are very welcome to attend.



•Please remember that St Anne's Primary School is a "**NUT FREE ZONE**"

•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.

•**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.

•**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.