



# St. Anne's Primary School

- **St Anne's PTA AGM**—Please see the attached letter from Mr Duffin.
- **Transfer Test**—Registration for the SEAG Entrance Assessment closes at **5pm on Friday 22nd September 2023**. Further details are available at [www.seagni.co.uk](http://www.seagni.co.uk)
- **Operation Encompass**—Please see the attached letter from Mr Duffin.
- **School start and finish times:**
- The school gates open at 8.50am. All pupils must go directly to their classrooms. Registration for all pupils is at 9.00am.
- P1 children will go home at 1.00pm from 18th September until 29th September. As the P1 children will stay for lunch before collection from the front yard (or dinner hall if wet), please ensure children bring a packed lunch or dinner money from 18th September.
- P1 children will stay in school until 2.00pm from Monday 2nd October until the end of the school year.
- P2 children will finish at 2.00pm every day.
- P3 to P7 children will stay in school until 2.50pm every day.
- **Flu Vaccine Programme**—The school nurse will be in school on **Wednesday 11th October** to administer the Flu Vaccine to all pupils. Please send any outstanding forms into school, even if you do not wish your child to have vaccine.
- The **Tempest Photographer** will be in school on **Friday 20th October**.
- **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.
- **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.
- **St Anne's PTA "Split the Pot" has it's next winner!** Paddy McManus won an amazing £75 in this week's draw. Well done Paddy!. 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 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 very week at Assembly—every envelope = one entry into the draw.
- **After School Clubs**—Soccer Club will begin on **Tuesday 7th November**. More details will follow in due course.

Thursday  
21st September  
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.

- **School records** are now being updated. Please fill in the Information Forms sent home today and return to school as soon as possible. As this is the only way we have of keeping up to date contact numbers, it is important that these forms are returned as soon as possible.
- **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.
- **Brain Gym**—For P7 pupils will continue on **Tuesday** afternoon from 3-4pm.
- **Swimming** for P5 & P6 will continue on Wednesday 27th September. The cost will continue at £3.00 per child per week.
- **Violin Tuition**—Continues on Wednesday 27th September. Anyone interested in having lessons in school should contact the school office.
- **Curricular Hurling with Woody** continues every Friday for all P3, P4 & P7 pupils, until November. Children with their own stick and helmet may bring them. We can provide sticks and helmets for those who do not have their own.
- **Loughguile Credit Union**—School savings collections continue every Wednesday. Anyone who would like to become a member can obtain an application form from the school office.
- **P5-P7 Lunchtime Hurling/Camogie**—Children may bring in their sticks and helmets.
- **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.
- **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.
- **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.
- **Children's Liturgy**—Recommences on **Sunday 24th September at 11.30am Mass in St Patrick's Church** (majority requested). Due to the shortage of volunteers, only this mass can avail of Children's Liturgy at present. Children who have not yet registered can attend any session and complete the forms at that time.



•Please remember that StAnne'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.