

## St. Anne's Primary School

- St Anne's Opening Mass will be on Friday 6th October in St Patrick's Church, Loughguile. All pupils will attend the mass. We ask parents to leave their children at the church from 8.50am. Pupils who usually travel to school by EA bus, will be taken to the church. All staff will be at the church from this time and will supervise the children until mass begins. Bus transport will be provided to bring the children from the church to school afterwards. Parents and family members are most welcome to attend the mass and can take their children to school after mass. We ask that you let your child's teacher know if this is your intention
- A new floor will be installed in the Foundation Stage Classroom on Friday 6th October. To facilitate this, P1 & P2 children only will go home at 1pm on this day. Class will resume as normal on Monday 9th October. Apologies for any inconvenience caused and thank you for your understanding.
- P1 children will stay in school until 2.00pm from Monday 2nd October
- 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.
- Hallowe'en Disco—Organised by St Anne's PTA will be held on Thursday 26th October from 6.30-8pm in the School Hall. We are asking parents if they would kindly donate a Trick or Treat to put in Hallowe'en Hampers which will be raffled on the night. We would really appreciate it if all donated items could be in school by Friday 20th October.
- 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 <u>Monday morning</u>. 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! Our P1 pupil Eoghan Dooey won an amazing £88.50 in this week's draw. Well done Eoghan!. 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. Well done to Johnny in P3 who won this week and Eimear in P1 and Cillian in P4 who won £5 in the previous two weeks!
- After School Clubs—Soccer Club will begin on Tuesday 7th November.
   More details will follow in due course.
- Loughguile Credit Union Annual Art Competition—Entry forms have been sent home today with your child. Please complete and return to school as soon as possible. All entries for the competition will be completed in school.

Thursday
28th September
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 gmcclements388@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 every Wednesday. The cost will continue at £3.00 per child per week.
- **Violin Tuition**—Continues every Wednesday. Anyone interested in having lessons in school should contact the school office.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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. 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.
- 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
   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.