

St. Anne's Primary School

- Wear Red Day will be on Friday 13th October, to show our support for the Loughgiel Hurlers this weekend. We wish the two teams the very best of luck! A special mention goes to our past pupils James McNaughton, Declan McCloskey in the Senior Team and Ryan O'Boyle, Sean Douthart, Dara McGivern, Conal Casey, Niall McCloskey, Dan Henry, Logan McConville and Liam Smyth in the Under 17 Team.
- P2—P7 Parent Interviews will take place the week beginning 16th October. All pupils will go home at 1pm each day that week. The school bus is available to take the children home at 1pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday. Please check your child's bag over the coming days for notes regarding appointment times.
- The Tempest Photographer will be in school on Friday 20th October. Parents are most welcome to bring along any siblings for family photographs from 8.30-9.00am.
- St Anne's Opening Mass—Thank you to all the parents, grandparents and family members who joined us for our New School Year Mass in St Patrick's Church on Friday morning. We would like to thank Fr Patsy for a beautiful ceremony and the children for their participation and excellent behaviour. A recording of Friday's Mass is available to view from www.mcnmedia.tv until Thursday evening.
- **P4-P7 Guitar Lessons**—An Expression of Interest Form is on the school website: Parents/After School Clubs. If you think you would like your child to participate in lessons, please complete the form by **Friday 13th 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.
- St Anne's PTA "Split the Pot" has it's next winner! Our P1 pupil Maeve McAuley won an amazing £82.50 in this week's draw. Well done Maeve!. 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.
- 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 agrees to cover the transport costs. The 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/first instalment as soon as possible.
- School Milk for November & December—Please complete the online order form on the school website: Parents/School Milk and send the fee into school in an envelope with your child's name on it by Friday 20th October. The cost is £7 per child.

Thursday 12th October 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.

- Best Attendance—Congratulations to P1 & P2 who had the best attendance in September!
- 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.
- 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 \pounds 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.
- 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.
- Curricular Hurling with Woody—There will be no lessons on Friday 13th October. These will resume on Friday 20th October.
- **P5-P7 Lunchtime Hurling/Camogie**—Children may bring in their sticks and helmets.
- After School Clubs—Soccer Club will begin on Tuesday 7th November from 3-4pm for 5 weeks with a coach from JDLC. Numbers are limited to 20 per session. Parents will have to arrange to collect their children at 4pm. Please complete the online form on the school website: Parents/ After School Clubs and send the fee into school in an envelope with your child's name on it by Monday 23rd October. The cost is £15 per child.
- 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.
- 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.