



St. Anne's Primary School

Thursday

7th February 2019



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 a Monday morning by returning the correct money and slip attached.

Collection of Children

- Class Teachers should be informed of any changes to arrangements for collecting children.

Please turn over

- **Reminder: Mid-Term Break.** The school will close at 12pm for all pupils on Friday 15th February and re-open on Monday 25th February. **There will be no school dinner and unfortunately, the school bus is not available to take the pupils home.**
- **Thank you** to all the Grandparents, Parents and Family Members who were able to attend our **Grandparent's Day Assembly** on Wednesday. It was a very special event in our programme for Catholic Schools Week and a wonderful opportunity for the children to acknowledge the positive impact made by Grandparents on so many aspects of their lives. Pictures of the Assembly are available to view on the school website.
- **Dates for the Diary—Confirmation will be on Wednesday 27th March and First Holy Communion will be on Saturday 1st June.**
- **St Anne's PTA "Split the Pot" has it's next winner!** Collette Coyles won an amazing £143 in this week's draw. Well done Collette! A huge thanks to everyone for their support. We have sent home two envelopes today to each family but feel free to return as many as you like!
Envelopes are also available to complete in McEvoy's, The Chip Inn, The Pound, McAllister's, The Golden Plough and Loughguile Credit Union.
- **Mindful Kids** is an information evening, arranged by our Shared Education Cluster, focusing on informing parents on simple, yet effective techniques, which will be taught in school, to help both children and adults to build coping strategies and develop resilience. It will be held in the **Joey Dunlop Centre, Ballymoney on Wednesday 13th February from 7-8pm.**
- **Parish Pastoral Council** are introducing "**Children's Liturgy**" at Sunday Masses beginning on Sunday 10th March for P2, P3 and P4 pupils. An envelope containing an introductory letter, permission slip and Child and Guardian Joint Consent has been sent home with those pupils today. If you would like your child to participate, please complete and return to school by Wednesday 13th February.
- **Peace Proms**—There will be a rehearsal held in **The Whitla Hall, Belfast on Thursday 14th February.** The children who are participating will need to be in school by 8.20am. We would appreciate it if any outstanding permission slips could be returned to school by Friday 8th February.

- **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. Please ensure all details are included in any absence notes.

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!

- **St Anne's Breakfast Club** will continue as usual from 8.00am until 8.50am every morning until the end of the year. If you wish your child/children to attend the breakfast club please send **£2 per day** in an envelope with your child's name and days they wish to take breakfast. As we need to know numbers for Monday can we ask that this is sent to school, when possible, on the Friday before. *Parents please note that supervision for children who are not attending the Breakfast club begins at 8.50am; children will not be permitted to enter the school building before this time.*
- **Loughguile Credit Union Annual Schools Quiz**—Well Done to our P7 pupils who competed on Monday night and won the Under 11 category. They will now go on to the next stage which will be on Friday 1st March at Ballymena North. Pictures from the quiz are available to view on the school website.
- **Shared Education PE with Knockahollet PS**—Our P6 & P7 classes will be taking part in PE lessons again on Friday 8th February. Please ensure all pupils have their PE gear.
- **Cumann na mBunscol Quiz** will take place on Friday 8th February in St Ciaran's PS, Cushendun. St Anne's have 2 teams of P6 and P7 Pupils competing and we wish them the best of luck!
- **World Book Day** will be held in St Anne's on Thursday 7th March. More details to follow. Similar to other years, the children can dress up as their favourite book character.
- **Nomination for the Election of a Parent Governor**— A letter has been sent home today to every family requesting nominations for a Parent Governor. Please place nominations in the envelope provided and return to school by Thursday 14th February.



- 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, Breakfast Club etc.) should be made payable to St Anne's PS.
- **St Anne's Annual Report** from the Board of Governors is available to view on the school website—www.stannespacorkey.com A paper copy can be obtained from the office on request.
- **Loughgiel Mums n Tots** are having their next session on Friday 8th February. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- **Loughguile Credit Union**—Remember to send in your child's savings (max £2) on a Wednesday in the folder provided.