



St. Anne's Primary School

Thursday
17th October 2019

- **School Milk for November and December**—Please complete the attached order form and return to school with payment on or before **Monday 21st October**.
- **At Anne's PTA** are having their next meeting on **Monday 21st October at 7pm** in the school. Anyone who would like to join the PTA will be made most welcome.
- **P1-P6 Parent Interviews** will take place on 22nd & 23rd October. **All pupils will go home at 1pm on each of these days to facilitate the interviews.** Unfortunately there will be no buses available to take the children home on these days. Please check your child's bag for notes regarding appointment times.
- **Credit Union Art Competition**—Entry forms have been sent home with all pupils. Please complete and return to school **no later than Tuesday 22nd October**.
- **Flu Vaccine Programme**—The school nurse will be in school on **Wednesday 23rd October** to administer the Flu Vaccine to pupils.
- **St Anne's PTA "Split the Pot" has it's next winner!** Tamara O'Neill won an amazing £175 in this week's draw. Well Done Tamara! A huge thanks to everyone for their support. 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 McMahon's Corner Shop, The Chip Inn, The Pound Bar, McAllister's Bar, The Golden Plough, Sharon Reid's Salon, Salena Henry's Salon, Shaunie's Hair Salon, Joanne McIlhatton Beauty, Loughguile Credit Union, The Deli and Moores of Cloughmills.**
- **Hallowe'en Disco**—Organised by **St Anne's PTA** will be held on **Monday 28th October from 7pm to 8.30pm** in the School Hall. Admission is £2 per child or £3 per family. We are asking parents if they would kindly donate a trick or treat to put into the Hallowe'en cauldrons. There will be one cauldron for each class. Each child will receive a free ticket to be entered into the draw for a "Goodie Cauldron". **We would really appreciate it if all donated items could be in school by Monday 21st October.**
- We would like to remind everyone that **Tuesday 29th October** is a **half day**. **School will finish for all pupils at 12 noon.** There will be no school dinner on that day however, **the EA bus is available to take the children home.** The School will be closed from **Wednesday 30th October until Monday 4th November inclusive** for Hallowe'en holidays.



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

- **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.***

•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!

The Department of Education have launched their media campaign "**Miss School. Miss Out**". Further information can be found at: www.nidirect.gov.uk/miss-school-miss-out

- **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.
- **Swimming** - The Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre have informed us that there will be **no swimming lessons until further notice.**
- **School Dinner**—A menu for next week is attached. **Please complete and return with the money if applicable by Monday morning at the latest.** As the dinners are prepared in St Patrick's kitchen, the cooks need to know the numbers in advance.
- A trip to the **Grand Opera House** on **Tuesday 7th January 2020** to see "**Beauty and the Beast**" has been arranged for all our pupils. St Anne's PTA have once again made a generous donation amounting to over half the price of the trip. This means the cost of the trip will be £8 per child. A permission slip has been sent home and is available to print from the school website. Please complete and return with the payment/ first instalment as soon as possible.
- **Peace Proms Tickets**—There is a special one week presale for parents **from Friday 1st November. Please visit www.peaceproms.com** for ticket information. We would stress the importance of buying tickets early as some parents experienced difficulties sourcing tickets for the last performance.



•**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.

•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.

•**Packed Lunches**—Please ensure that all fruit & vegetables (e.g. grapes and cherry tomatoes) are cut lengthways to avoid a choking hazard.

•**Healthy Breaks:** Please send only fruit or a plain biscuit to school as a break-time snack. Water or milk may be drunk at break-time. One sweet or savoury treat is appropriate for lunchtime. No fizzy drinks should be brought to school at any time.

•**Loughguile Credit Union**—Remember to send in your child's savings (max £2) on a Wednesday in the folder provided.