



St. Anne's Primary School

Thursday
5th December 2019

- The school will close at 1pm on Friday 13th December for Staff Development. School dinner will be served that day and the school bus is available to take the children home.
- **Date for the Diary:** - St Anne's Christmas Show will be held on the evening of **Wednesday 11th December at 7pm**. Admission to the evening show will be by ticket only (£3 per ticket) and can be purchased from the school from Friday 29th November. Unfortunately due to space restrictions we have to limit ticket numbers at this time to 3 per family for the evening performance. We hope to be able to accommodate everyone with the number of tickets they request. **We would kindly ask that parents have the children in school by 6pm on Wednesday evening to allow them to prepare for the performance.**

We will also be having a **matinee performance on Tuesday 10th December at 12 noon**. Children will have an early lunch on Tuesday to allow them time to prepare for the performance. Complementary refreshments will be served after this show. Admission to the matinee show is also by ticket only and tickets are complimentary. Please make sure you specify which show you wish to receive tickets for when making your request. **We would appreciate it if all ticket requests (3 per family) could be made by Friday 6th December as we will allocate spare tickets on Monday 9th December.**

- **Open Day-** Prospective P1 pupils for September 2020 admission and their parents are invited to attend the matinee performance of the **Christmas Show on Tuesday 10th December at 12 noon**. Complimentary tickets to the show have been given to children at Loughgiel Early Years and St Patrick's Nursery. A tour of the school afterwards is available, where pupils and parents can meet the teachers and principal, as well as viewing the play-based and foundation classrooms and ICT hub. Please contact Mr Duffin for further details or to make personal arrangements by email : hduffin422@c2kni.net or by phone: 028 276 41429.
- **St Anne's PTA "Split the Pot" has it's next winner!** Seaneoin Cochrane won an amazing £134 in this week's draw. Well Done Seaneoin! 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 available from all the usual outlets. **Due to the success of block buying for "Split the Pot" over the last few months, this option is available again and will start on Wednesday 11th December.** Block buying slips are attached and can further copies can be requested from the school.
- **St Anne's PTA** will be organising a **Hamper Raffle** which will take place at this year's Christmas Play. **We would really appreciate it if any outstanding hamper items could be sent to school by Friday 6th December.**
- **School Milk**—If you would like your child to have milk in January & February, please complete the attached slip and return to school with the money by **Monday 16th December**. The cost is £7.35 per child.



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.**
- **Well done** to P3 & P4 who had the best attendance in November.
- **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.
- **P1 Shared PE Lessons** with Knockahollet Primary School will continue every Thursday until Christmas. **Please ensure children bring their PE gear to school with them.**
- **PE Lessons**—P3 & P4 have PE on Fridays, P5 & P6 have PE on Wednesdays and P7 have PE on Mondays and Fridays. **Please ensure that all pupils bring their PE gear to school with them.**
- **Peace Proms**— To avoid disappointment, please book your tickets as soon as possible. When booking, family members of St Anne's are in the West Tier.
- **Well done** to our **P6 & P7 Hurlers** who took part in a blitz last Friday in CPC, Ballycastle.
- **Well done** also to our **Cross Country Team** who competed at the University of Ulster, Coleraine on Wednesday.
- As part of our **Shared Education Programme** with Knockahollet PS, a trip to sing some Christmas Carols on **Radio Cracker** has been planned for Friday 13th December. Our P5 & P6 pupils will be participating and rehearsals are already under way.
- **SaffronAid Shoebox Appeal 2019**—Thank you to everyone who donated shoeboxes. We had an incredible response to the appeal and appreciate everyone's generosity. Our children presented the shoeboxes to Anne Irwin, Area President of the St Vincent de Paul Society at a special assembly on Wednesday. Photos are available to view on the website.



•**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.