



St. Anne's Primary School

Thursday
12th 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.
- **Christmas Holidays**—St Anne's PS will close at 12 noon on Friday 20th December. There will be no school dinner but the school bus is available to take the children home. The school will re-open on Monday 6th January 2020.
- A huge thanks is extended to everyone involved in our Christmas shows which took place this week. The pupils, teachers, assistants, caretaker and musicians have all worked extremely hard over the last few weeks in preparation for the show which was a tremendous success. We would also like to thank our very dedicated PTA who organised refreshments on the night of the show as well as the hamper raffle. Many of the winners of the hampers have very kindly donated them to St Vincent de Paul—a very kind gesture!
- **St Anne's PTA "Split the Pot" has it's next winner!** Chris McDonnell won an amazing £218 in this week's draw. Well Done Chris! 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.**
- 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 well under way. The children will be performing at approximately 10.50am Parents are welcome to come along to The Tower Centre to watch the children perform or they can listen to the performance online at: **www.radiocracker.org.uk**
- **School Milk**—If you would like your child to have milk in January & February, please complete the slip sent home last week and return to school with the money by **Monday 16th December**. The cost is £7.35 per child.
- **Christmas Jumper/Favourite Clothes Day** will be held on Thursday 19th December. The cost is £1 per child or £2 per family. **Proceeds will go to Sr. Patricia & Trocaire.**
- **Dates for the Diary**—**Confirmation** will be on Friday 22nd May 2020 and **First Holy Communion** will be on Saturday 6th June 2020.



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.
- **After school clubs** have now ended for this term. They proved to be a huge success and we would like to thank parents and pupils for their support. We look forward to having more clubs to offer the children in the new term. Cultural Club are owed a week and this will be on Wednesday 18th December.
- **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.
- **St Patrick's PS** are having **Children's Bingo** on Sunday 15th December. Please see the attached flyer for more details.
- **Loughguile Credit Union**—Remember to send in your child's savings (max £2) on a Wednesday in the folder provided.



•**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.