

St. Anne's Primary School

• Dates for the Diary—St Anne's Christmas Shows:

Monday 13th December—P3/P4 at 1.30pm

Tuesday 14th December—P1/P2/at 1.00pm

Wednesday 15th December—P5/P6/P7 at 1.00pm

The above shows are scheduled to take place, but will be kept under review. We will keep parents informed by text and the school website.

- Santa Run Daily Mile We have registered to take part, along with other schools & early years settings around the country, in a nation-wide, mass participation event on Friday 3rd December 2021. The children can wear a Santa/Christmas hat, if they have one. The Daily Mile[™] is a simple and free initiative which gets children out of the classroom for 15 minutes every day, to run or jog at their own pace. Whilst making them fitter, healthier and able to concentrate in the classroom, it has huge social and emotional benefits too. In light of the events in the past year, children's mental health, and its relationship to physical activity, is more important than ever.
- **COVID-19**—We remind parents to remain vigilant if your children are showing any COVID-19 symptoms and encourage good hand washing and sanitizing practices. A guidance flowchart for close contacts of a positive case in a school setting is available to view on the school website.
- Split the Pot Winner Takes All Draw will take place on Thursday 2nd December. Good luck to everyone who enters!
- Christmas Dinner is on Wednesday 8th December. It's not too late to place your order. Send the £2.60 in an envelope with your child's name on it by Monday 6th December.
- Curricular Hurling with Woody has finished for this term. We thank Dominic for all his hard work and look forward to welcoming him back to St Anne's later in the school year.
- After School Table Tennis continues on Tuesday 7th December from 3-4pm. This will be the last session for this term. We hope to bring new clubs to St Anne's in the next school term.

Thursday 2nd December 2021



Remember:

- The Thursday Note and Dinner Menu are available on the school website: www.stannespscorkey.com
- Register your email address on the school website to receive email notifications.
- 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 ordering online from the school website.

Collection of Children

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

- Best Attendance—Congratulations to P3 & P4 who had the best attendance in September and to P7 who had the best attendance in October.
- 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 attached; please ensure all details are included in any absence notes.
- 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. We would encourage anyone who thinks they may be entitled to apply, even if they do not take intend to take school dinners as the school can receive extra funding from the EA.
- Swimming for P5 & P6 will continue every Wednesday. The cost will continue at £3.00 per child per week.
- Healthy Breaks: Please send only fruit or a plain biscuit to school as a break-time snack. <u>ONLY water or milk may be taken at</u> <u>break-time</u>. One sweet or savoury treat is appropriate for lunchtime. No fizzy drinks should be brought to school at any time.
- 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 Monday morning. As the dinners are prepared in St Patrick's kitchen, the cooks need to know the numbers in advance. Due to kitchen staff shortages and food supply issues, please note that the menu may be subject to small changes.
- St Anne's Breakfast Club returned on a trial basis at the beginning of September. As present, it is not sustainable with the current numbers attending. Our intention is to continue Breakfast Club until Christmas, which will give us a chance to conduct an audit and decide if it is viable. We would encourage anyone who thinks they may use this service to support it where possible. The club runs from 8.00am until 8.50am every morning, on a trial basis. If you wish your child/children to attend the breakfast club, please complete the online form on the school website and send the money in an envelope with your child on a Monday morning. The cost is £2 per child per day. 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—School savings will continue every Wednesday (max £5 per week). Anyone who would like to become a member can obtain an application form from the school office.



•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.

•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.