

Weekly News

Friday 1st December, 2023

Dear Parents,

This has been a really busy but super week in the life of our school.

Netball Tournament

On Tuesday, a group of 9 girls represented our school at a friendly netball tournament. They played really well and this was their first experience of playing on a full size netball court. They played against St Brigid's, Moorfields, Fourtowns and St. Patrick's Glenariff. A super bunch of girls!



Choir

Christmas is an exceptionally busy time of year for our school choir. On Wednesday, they sang at Radio Cracker in the Fairhill and in Creative Gardens. They sounded wonderful and it was evident how hard they have been practising as they sang from a huge repertoire of songs. We were delighted so many parents, relatives and friends could come along to hear the choir in both venues. We also wish them well as they sing at 'Jingle All The Way' in Ballymena Town Centre tomorrow.



Football Tournament

On Thursday, it was time for the boys to take part in another football tournament at Fourtowns. They worked exceptionally hard throughout the tournament. They didn't give up even when coming up against some really tough opponents. They played against The Buick, Fourtowns, Gracehill, Carnaghts and Groggan. Well done boys!



Open Day

Today was our Open Day! It was great to see younger siblings and families who are already connected to The Diamond and lovely to be able to welcome new families too. All the staff in school are enormously proud of all our pupils and for how kind and friendly they were towards all the little ones who came along today.

Rotary Club Christmas Hamper Appeal 2023

Thank you for all the kind donations towards the Hamper Appeal. We recognise this is a busy time of year and everyone is being pulled in lots of different directions, but it is lovely to know our donations will make a difference to the lives of those in our local community.

School Clean Up

I know many of you have commented on how well the school is looking following our clean up on Saturday past. A huge thank you to the parents and grandparents who gave up their time to help us. It has made such a difference for us as staff and importantly, for your children. Thank you once again.

Christmas Announcement

Please see below the exciting announcement that was made in assembly this morning.



All P1 to P7 pupils are invited to have



Breakfast with Santa

Fri 15th Dec 9am

**You are going to have a
day full of Christmas fun
starting off with
breakfast with Santa!
Please come to school in
your Christmas jumper!**





Christmas Breakfast Menu

Pancakes

Croissants

Toast

Yogurt

Fresh fruit

Hot Chocolate



Dates for your diary

Sat 2 nd Dec	Choir perform at 'Jingle All The Way' in Ballymena
Thurs 7 th Dec	Choir perform at 'Young at Heart' in Cunningham Memorial Presbyterian Church
Mon 11 th Dec	Christmas Practice Day @ 1 st Ahoghill Church - 3pm finish for everyone
Tues 12 th Dec	Christmas Celebration @ 1 st Ahoghill Church 7pm. Children can be dropped off between 6.30pm and 6.45pm.
Fri 15 th Dec	Breakfast with Santa AND our Christmas Dinner
Wed 20 th Dec	Final Day of Term - early finish

Please continue to keep a close eye on announcements and messages coming through Seesaw as we navigate our way through the next few weeks. It will be busy but brilliant!

Many thanks,

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(Principal)

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