



BALLYCLARE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Term 2



<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ballyclareprimary/>



TOTAL RAISED SO FAR IS: £1460.96

★ REMINDER

EASTER HOLIDAYS:

School closes on Friday 12th April at 12:00 for all pupils.

There will be Breakfast Club and Breaktime toast on this day.

Term 3 starts on Monday 29th April at the usual time.

SCHOOL WILL ALSO BE CLOSED ON:

Monday, 6th May - May Day Holiday

Monday 13th May - Teacher Training



MAY FAIR

Ballyclare May Fair dates back to 1756 and is always an historical and entertainment event within our town. The website www.ballyclaremayfair.com (which will be live soon) has all the events listed, with times and venues, for you to choose from.

I would remind you that our school will be closed from 12:00 noon on May Fair Day, Tuesday 21st, as many parents traditionally attend the Fair with their children.

★ TOAST WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT BREAK-TIME ON THIS DAY.

STRANGER DANGER

The brighter nights and mornings do enable children to get outside and play at this time of year. This is great to see. We encourage our pupils to be very aware of talking to, helping, or going with adults or even older children they know, without parents being aware of this. Please go over this important issue at home. Children, understandably, are very trusting and they can be easily led astray. The Community PSNI keep us informed of any unusual cars or happenings in the area and we ensure parents are aware of these also.

Around May Fair time there are many people around Ballyclare, who are not local, so keep vigilant and ensure your children are too.

All children in P5-7 who walk home or to meeting points should go straight to these places. This is reinforced in school. If the adult is not at the meeting point, pupils must return to school and wait safely.

EXTENDED SCHOOLS

Extended Schools Activities end tomorrow for Term 2. All pupils P4-7 will leave at their usual time of 2.55pm next week.

The activities will resume for Term 3 and run from 7th - 30th May (4 weeks).

SPECIAL EVENING FOR P6

The AQE/GL Assessment Transfer Procedure is set to continue in the next academic year and pupils moving to P7 in September will be able to make a choice regarding this. Some Post Primary Schools are hosting special P6 Parent Evenings to give information about this process.

Our own P6 Parents' Evening will take place on Tuesday 28th May at 7:00pm in our school Assembly Hall. Please plan to attend as you will be given lots of information re: Transfer arrangements in general, the P7 School Year and P7 School Trips. Soon after this meeting names and deposits will be requested before the end of term.

BLING YOUR BIKE/SCOOTER

Well done to all pupils and parents who decorated and “blinged” our bikes and scooters. We had some amazing examples of creativity. Check out our website for the photos.



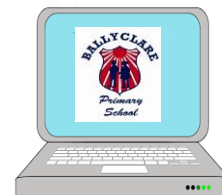
TOLLYMORE TRIP – FINAL PAYMENT

The total cost of our P6 Tollymore Trip is £150. Final payments should be made by Wednesday 8th May. If you have any difficulty with this, contact Mrs Mulligan or Mr McAuley.

WEBSITE

Our website has lots of key photographs, dates and information on it. Please keep using this and get updated with all the wonderful experiences your children are getting in and out of school.

If you think we should add any other information that would be of help to you as parents, please email me and let me know. kmulligan818@c2kni.net



FUNDRAISING - SAVE THE DATE!

Each year we endeavour to have a number of events in school to help raise valuable funds for charities and school funds. We are delighted at how supportive parents are at these times.

Please keep our School Fair date in mind to help us this term - Friday 31st May 2019, 6:00 - 8:00pm.



DIGITAL DETOX!

This week we are “detoxing” from all the digital activity and getting outside to play and “run a mile.” Keep encouraging this at home. More and more parents are withdrawing computer and phone use from their children to great benefit both physically and emotionally.

WELL DONE BALLYCLARE BOYS!

Our boys football team and squad won the league and came back to school with a presentation cup. Well Done!

As always: If there is anything that concerns you in any way in school, please contact me via the school office or by e-mail if that is easier. I will always follow up any issues raised if I have your contact details.

Mrs Mulligan

COMMUNITY NEWS

Mossley Hockey Club is holding an Easter Camp on 17th, 18th and 19th April, 10.00am to 3.00pm. Cost is £35. For details, contact Harry McNeill 07738412182/email harry@ulsterhockey.com
Application/Medical Consent forms available from school office

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