



# BALLYCLARE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## REMINDER

- School is closed tomorrow for Local Election.
- School is closed this Monday 6th May for pupils - May Day Holiday.
- School is closed on Monday 13th May for pupils - School Improvement Day for teachers.

## MAY FAIR

The May Fair is fast approaching and we will send you information to help with parking etc when we get it from the May Fair Committee. Parking will still be available for all parents every day.

Traditionally, children attend the Fair on May Fair Day - 21st May, so school closes at 12:00 on this day to permit them to enjoy it.



## PARKING INFORMATION

We apologise to parents who received tickets on the last day of term for using our permits at 12:00. This has never occurred before and we are sorry the Traffic Warden ruling could not be prevented, despite much effort to do so. Please note that the times on the permits will be strictly adhered to in the future, so on the three or four occasions when school closes early (ie end of terms and May Fair Day) a small fee should be paid for a parking ticket to safeguard against the receipt of a parking fine.

We would also ask, again, that parents do not use the Secondary School driveway for parking to drop off pupils in the mornings. This has again been an issue for Secondary School staff. The parking spaces are strictly for staff only and the driveway must not be blocked by waiting cars. Thank you.

## ICT EXCELLENCE AWARD

Our school has been nominated again for an ICT Excellence Award and your thoughts on ICT in school are much appreciated. If your child has gained from ICT development in school and they are showing a passion for it, please email Mrs Irwin via [kmulligan818@c2kni.net](mailto:kmulligan818@c2kni.net) to share your views or experiences. Thank you.

## PHOTOGRAPHS

Group photographs for Sport/Music etc in P4-7 will be taken on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. Please send in instruments etc. with your child for this day.

P7 Friendship Group Photographs will also be taken. P7 pupils have been sent information regarding these already.

## SCHOOL FAIR – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May, 6:00 – 8:00pm

Thank you to all who have offered help. More parents needed if you are free. Please call/email school if you are available - ([kmulligan818@c2kni.net](mailto:kmulligan818@c2kni.net)) or contact Mr McAuley. More details on the Fair to follow next week.

## EXTENDED SCHOOL ACTIVITIES START – 7<sup>th</sup> MAY

Slips to return for Afterschool activities will be collected on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. Please ensure your child has made their choices for 7<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May dates.

## THANK YOU!

Thank you to all parents who took the time to place a nomination statement and vote for Ballyclare Primary School on the Families First Best Primary School site. These have been appreciated by myself as Principal and all staff in school. We are very thankful for all the support given and the appreciation from parents who have children in Ballyclare Primary.

## CONTACT PARENTS

Our 'Contact Parents' text messaging service is still in use. Please note that if the text cannot be sent to the first mobile number given in our Pupil Contact database, the computer system will send it to an alternative number on the list. Please ensure we have up to date working mobile numbers for parents at all times.

Due to the changes in GDPR, please ensure you have the consent of all contacts on our database, which you have given to us, for school to hold their details in a secure system.

## MEDICATION

We appreciate that parents are very vigilant about illness and do not send children to school with illnesses that can be contagious. Thank you for this. We go through a huge amount of Calpol and Piritin in school each term. If your child has benefited from this, why not donate a bottle of this medicine to Mr McAuley via the school office. Only unopened bottles can be accepted.

We would also ask that parents do not send boiled sweets/lozenges into school for sore throats. These are a choking hazard. Should your child's throat be sore throughout the day, they can identify this to their class teacher who will contact you re: some medicine.

## STARTING TIME

All parents, please note that school doors open from 8:45am for pupils to enter their classes, thus avoiding waiting in the hall or playground each morning. All pupils should be in their classrooms by 8:55am to enjoy the start of their school day.



A number of children who arrive late disrupt the class on entry and this is unfair to those who try to be here every day on time. Leave home in good time to ensure our Ballyclare traffic does not hold you up. Thank you.

## EASTER FUNDRAISER

A big thanks to Reuben and Isaac Patrick (P4MCDA & P6TS) who organised a 'Guess the Number of Eggs' Easter Competition and raised £120 for school funds. Well done boys, and congratulations to competition winner Euan O'Neill (P7CM) who got to keep the eggs!



## A HUGE THANK YOU!

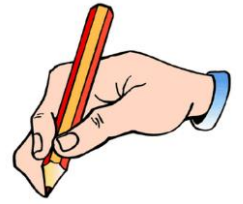
Thank you most sincerely P7 parents who have children leaving us this year. We are overwhelmed at your generous gift of £400 for new novels for the P7 year group. Thank you to all who donated and to Mrs Mulholland for organising the donation. In the current budget constraints, this is so welcome.

*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*



# CLASS AWARDS

## APRIL 2019



	<b>CLASS &amp; TEACHER</b>	<b>MONTHLY STAR</b>	<b>BEST HANDWRITING</b>
<b>P1</b>	Miss Campbell	LUKE JAMISON	KORI CURRAN-McCAMMOND
	Miss Moorhead	EVE McCABE	MYLA EVANS
	Mrs Sturgess & Mrs Farquhar	AJ LAIRD	KATIE WEBSTER
<b>P2</b>	Mrs Irwin & Mrs Farquhar	MIA QUINN	HARRIET LEWIS
	Mrs Martin & Mrs Stewart	TRISTAN McAULEY	MADDIE MAHON
	Mrs Hall	ELIJAH HARSON	MIA CRAWFORD
<b>P3</b>	Mr Heyburn	LEWIS McGARRY	ESTEBAN BLAIR
	Mrs McNeilly & Mrs McIntosh	AMBER FLEMING	TOM McILHAGGER
	Miss Drury	EVA CRAIG	JACK McCONNAUGHIE
<b>P4</b>	Mrs McDowell & Mrs Anderson	REUBEN PATRICK	CRAIG MOORE
	Miss Kernohan	HARLEY SMYTH	MAX McCLAY
	Mrs Scott	JACK EGERTON	GRACE MOORE
<b>P5</b>	Miss McGoran	DANIEL WEIR	LAUREN BLACK
	Mrs McKeown	AVA WALKER	HOLLY McCROARY
	Mr Scott	HANNAH LESLIE	DYLAN DARKOH
<b>P6</b>	Mrs Arbuckle	RUBY BAIRD	BRODIE MOORE
	Mrs Shannon	RYAN BLOCKWELL	LAUREN SIMPSON
	Mrs Watson	ZOE McDOWELL	TIAGO SNODDY
<b>P7</b>	Mr Gordon	KATIE AGNEW	GARETH BROWN
	Mr McAuley	LUCY DICK	NASH-LEE McARTHUR
	Mrs Kennedy	MOLLIE THOMPSON	ETHAN McALLISTER
<b>L.S.</b>	Mrs McCollum	COREY WILLIAMS (P3RH)	—

## Raise Money For Our School When You Shop Online ..... for FREE!

We have been signed up to raise money for our school every time you shop online. This is a really easy way to help us raise vital funds and won't cost you a thing!

The fundraising is run by a website called [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk). You can access it directly by clicking the link on our school website homepage.

To start, you have to register. It's free and will allow the money fundraised to go directly to our school page. They website won't ask for any additional money, other than to pay for the item you are shopping online for.

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