



St. Anne's Primary School

- **Happy New Year!** Welcome back to a new school term. We hope you had a lovely Christmas break.
- **Pantomime**—A trip to **The Grand Opera House on Wednesday 11th January 2023** to see "Cinderella" has been arranged for all our pupils.

The buses will leave the school at 11am and we aim to be back at St Anne's for approximately 5.00pm. We will use our text parents service when we are leaving Belfast to give a more definite time. Unfortunately, this will mean that all children will need to be collected from the school as there will be no school bus at this time.

All pupils will need to bring a healthy snack and a packed lunch with them (no glass bottles). They can also bring a treat with them to eat during the performance. Full school uniform is to be worn and all pupils should bring a coat as we will have to walk from the bus to the Opera House.

- **P1 Enrolment**—Parents of children starting P1 in September 2023 can apply for their place online at www.eani.org.uk from 12 noon on Tuesday 10th January.
- **Dates for the Diary**—**Grandparents' Day** will be on **Wednesday 1st February**, **Confirmation** will be on **Thursday 23rd March** and **First Holy Communion** will be on **Saturday 13th May** (subject to public health policy). More details will follow in due course.
- **School Milk**—Any outstanding money should be paid by Monday 9th January. The cost is £7 per child.
- **Christmas Show DVDs**—Please send any outstanding money into school by Monday 9th January.
- **St Anne's PTA "Split the Pot" has it's next winner!** Ann Marie Watt won an amazing £77 in this week's draw. Well done Anne Marie!. Congratulations also to Teresa Douthart who won £88 and to Jamie & Johnny Martin who won £79 over the Christmas holidays. 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 all the usual outlets.**

Thursday
5th January 2023



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 the school website by 9am on Monday morning.

Collection of Children

- Class Teachers should be informed of any changes to arrangements for collecting children. Please send a note to school with your child or email gmclements388@c2kni.net before 12 noon.

Please turn over

- **Peace Proms 2023**—St Anne's PS and Knockahollet PS will be taking part in the Peace Proms Choir. The event will be staged at the SSE Arena Belfast on **Sunday 26th February 2023 at 1pm**. Tickets can be purchased from www.ssearenabelfast.com or by calling 0844 847 2455.
- **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 available to download from the school website.
- **Best Attendance**—Congratulations to P7 who had the best attendance in December.
- **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 must know the numbers in advance. **Please note that St Anne's is no longer able to accept paper banknotes.**
- **Swimming** for P7 will commence on Wednesday 18th January. The cost is £3 per child.
- **Violin Tuition**—continues on Wednesday 18th January 2023.
- **Loughguile Credit Union**—School savings collections will resume on Wednesday 12th January.
- **After School Clubs** We look forward to having more clubs to offer children in the new term.
- **Radio Cracker**—As part of our Shared Education programme with Knockahollet Primary School, a trip to sing some Christmas Carols took place just before the Christmas break. Please see the website for photos and videos.
- **Northern Ireland Blood Transfusion Service** will be at The Millennium Centre on **Wednesday 18th January 2023**. Your help would really boost their community efforts and hopefully increase their donor numbers.



- **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 Clubs etc.) should be made payable to St Anne's PS.
- **Healthy Breaks:** Please send only fruit or a plain biscuit to school as a break-time snack. **ONLY water or milk may be taken at break-time.** One sweet or savoury treat is appropriate for lunchtime. No fizzy drinks should be brought to school at any time.