



St. Anne's Primary School

Thursday
19th January 2023

- **P1 Enrolment**—Parents of children starting P1 in September 2023 can apply for their place online at www.eani.org.uk. Instructions on how to apply are on the school website. Applications close at 12 noon on Friday 27th January,
- **Catholic Schools Week** this year is from 23rd-27th January, with the theme "Walking together in faith and love". As part of this celebration we will be having a **Grandparents' Day Assembly on Wednesday 25th January at 1.00pm**. All Parents, Grandparents and family members are warmly invited to attend this special assembly. Refreshments will be served afterwards.
- **Dates for the Diary**—
- **Service of Light** will be on Thursday 2nd February at 7pm.
- **Confirmation** will be on Thursday 23rd March.
- **First Holy Communion** will be on Saturday 13th May (subject to public health policy).
- **St Anne's PTA "Split the Pot" has had to be postponed due to the weather conditions**
- **Cash for a Cause - St Anne's PTA needs your support!**

This **Saturday, 21st January** will be the voting day for the Cash for a Cause project.

St Anne's PTA is just one of several worthy groups/individuals bidding for funding for a range of projects and it's up to the community to decide who gets what.

The event will be held in the **Millennium Centre from 2-4pm**; everyone aged P4 and up who lives, works, plays or learns in the Loughiel area is welcome to come along and cast their vote.

- **School Milk**—Any outstanding money should be paid as soon as possible. The cost is £7 per child.
- **Christmas Show DVDs**—Please send any outstanding money into school as soon as possible. DVDs are priced at £5 each.
- **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.ssearena Belfast.com or by calling 0844 847 2455.
- **Chinese New Year**—This unfortunately had to be postponed today due to circumstances beyond our control. The school kitchen will be preparing the Chinese buffet for dinner on **Thursday 26th January**.



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

• **EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS**

Every single day a child is absent from school equates to a day of lost learning.

100% Attendance	0 Days Missed
95% Attendance	9 Days of Absence
90% Attendance	19 Days of Absence
85% Attendance	28 Days of Absence
80% Attendance	38 Days of Absence
75% Attendance	46 Days of Absence

90% may seem like an acceptable level of attendance, but the reality is that 90% attendance means that your child will miss half a school day each week or 19 days of school during the school year - that's nearly 4 school weeks! **School attendance will be focused on by our Board of Governors this term.**

- **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 continue on Wednesday 25th January. The cost is £3 per child. Please send any outstanding permission slips into school by Wednesday.
- **Violin Tuition**—continues on Wednesday 1st February 2023.
- **Loughguile Credit Union**—School savings collections will continue on Wednesday 25th January.



• **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.