



St. Anne's Primary School

Thursday 5th

October 2017

- **P7 Parent Interviews** will be held on **Wednesday 18th October**. An appointment time has been sent home with your child today.
- **P1-P6 Parent Interviews** will take place during the week **23rd–26th October**. All pupils will go home at 2pm on each of these days to facilitate the interviews. Please check your child's bag for notes regarding appointment times. We would like to remind parents that Friday 27th October is a half day, where the school will close at 12.00pm for the Hallowe'en holiday. School will re-open on Thursday 2nd November.
- A trip to the **Grand Opera House, Belfast** on Thursday 11th January 2018 to see Peter Pan has been arranged for all our children. St Anne's PTA have once again made a generous donation amounting to over half the price of the trip, so the cost will be £8 per child. We would be grateful if any outstanding permission slips, along with the £8 could be returned to the school as soon as possible.
- **St Anne's Breakfast Club** will continue as usual from 8.00am until 8.50am every morning until the end of the year. **P1 children may now attend**. If you wish your child/children to attend the breakfast club please send £2 per day in an envelope with your child's name and days they wish to take breakfast. As we need to know numbers for Monday can we ask that this is sent to school, when possible, on the Friday before. ***Parents please note that supervision for children who are not attending the Breakfast club begins at 8.50am; children will not be permitted to enter the school building before this time.***
- **Carlingford Residential Trip**—Mr Duffin and Mr Black (Knockahollet Primary School) were able to secure funding from the Shared Education Programme, resulting that the trip will now cost £75 per child instead of the initial cost of £200. This is fantastic news! New permission slips detailing the revised cost and payment options have been sent home with the P7 pupils. Please complete and return with either a deposit or full payment as soon as possible.



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** has increased to £2.60 per day or £13.00 per week. Dinners for the week (paid and free) should be ordered on a Monday morning by returning the correct money and slip attached.

Collection of Children

- Class Teachers should be informed of any changes to arrangements for collecting children.

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- **Free School Meals**—If you think that your child/children may be entitled to free school meals, application forms are available from the school office or the Education Authority Website: www.eani.org.uk. **Any applications or enquiries are completely confidential.** We encourage all who are eligible to apply, even if they do not intend to take a free meal, as our school funding can be supplemented by the Department of Education if we have a significant number of children entitled to free school meals.
- **St Anne's Annual Report** from the Board of Governors is available to view on the school Website www.stannespscorkey.com
- **Brain Gym** - for pupils who are sitting the Transfer Test in 2017 only, will continue every Tuesday from 2.50-4.00pm.
- **Loughguile Credit Union**—Remember to send in your child's savings (max £2) on a Wednesday in the folder provided. The annual **Credit Union Art Competition** has been launched. The children will complete their entries in school. Consent forms will be sent home with the children and parents are asked to complete and return to school **no later than Tuesday 24th October**.
- **Swimming** - P4/5 swimming will continue as usual on Wednesday. The cost will be £3.00 per child per week.
- **Hurling** with Woody will continue every Thursday until Hallowe'en from 1.00pm to 2.50pm. All P4 to P7 children must wear correct PE uniform. Children with their own stick and helmet may bring them, we can provide sticks and helmets for those who do not have their own.
- **School records** are now being updated. Please fill in the Information Form and return it to school as soon as possible. As this is the only way we have of keeping up to date contact numbers it is important that this form is returned as soon as possible.
- **School Photographer**—Just a reminder that the photographer will be in school on Friday 6th October from 8.30am. Parents are most welcome to bring along any siblings for a family photograph.
- **Shared Education Survey**—we would like to thank the parents of our P4-P7 pupils for completing the consent forms, allowing their children to take part in the study. This is an important way of allowing us to gauge how effective the Shared Education strategy is. If there are any outstanding consent forms, please return them to school as soon as possible.
- **Loughgiel Early Years** - Newsletters are now available to view on our school website.
- **Round £1 Coins**—From the 15th October 2017, the school is no longer able to accept these coins as they will not be legal tender.



- Please remember that St Anne's Primary School is a "NUT FREE ZONE"
- When paying dinner and milk money cheques should be made payable to: **The Education Authority—NE Region**. Everything else (After Schools, Breakfast Club etc) should be made payable to St Anne's PS.
- **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.