



St. Anne's Primary School

Thursday
3rd October 2019

- **P1-P6 Parent Interviews** will take place on 22nd & 23rd October. **All pupils will go home at 1pm on each of these days to facilitate the interviews.** Unfortunately there will be no buses available to take the children home on these days. Please check your child's bag over the coming days for notes regarding appointment times.
- **St Anne's Breakfast Club** will continue as usual from 8.00am until 8.50am every morning until the end of the year. 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.***
- **St Anne's PTA "Split the Pot" has it's next winner!** Suzie McMullan won an amazing £121.50 in this week's draw. Well Done Suzie! 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 McMahon's Corner Shop, The Chip Inn, The Pound Bar, McAllister's Bar, The Golden Plough, Sharon Reid's Salon, Salena Henry's Salon, Shaunie's Hair Salon, Joanne McIlhatton Beauty, Loughguile Credit Union, The Deli and Moores of Cloughmills.**
- A trip to the **Grand Opera House** on **Tuesday 7th January 2020** to see **"Beauty and the Beast"** has been arranged for all our pupils. St Anne's PTA have once again made a generous donation amounting to over half the price of the trip. This means the cost of the trip will be £8 per child. A permission slip was sent home last week and is available to print from the school website. Please complete and return with the payment/ first instalment as soon as possible.
- The **Tempest Photographer** will be in school on Friday 11th October from 9.00am. Parents are most welcome to bring along any siblings for family photographs.
- **Hallowe'en Disco**—Organised by **St Anne's PTA** will be held on **Monday 28th October from 7pm to 8.30pm** in the School Hall. Admission is £2 per child or £3 per family. We are asking parents if they would kindly donate a trick or treat to put into the Hallowe'en cauldrons. There will be one cauldron for each class. Each child will receive a free ticket to be entered into the draw for a "Goodie Cauldron". We would really appreciate it if all donated items could be in school by Monday 21st October.



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 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.

Please turn over

- **School records** are now being updated. Please fill in the Information Forms sent home at the beginning of term and return 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 these forms are returned as soon as possible.

•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!

The Department of Education have launched their media campaign "**Miss School. Miss Out**". Further information can be found at: www.nidirect.gov.uk/miss-school-miss-out

- **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 attached; please ensure all details are included in any absence notes.
- **After School Clubs** for this term has been launched. They will continue until the Hallowe'en Break. We are able to offer a reduced rate of £1 per club per week. It's not too late to join! A list of clubs on offer with days scheduled and permission slips were sent home at the beginning of term and can be viewed on the school website.
- **Swimming** - The Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre have informed us that there will be no swimming lessons until further notice.
- **School Dinner**—A menu for next week is attached. Please complete and return with the money if applicable by Monday morning at the latest. As the dinners are prepared in St Patrick's kitchen, the cooks need to know the numbers in advance. **Anyone who has dinner on Wednesday will be entered into a draw for a prize. Good Luck!**
- **Flu Vaccine Programme**—The school nurse will be in school on Wednesday 23rd October to administer the Flu Vaccine to all pupils. **Could any outstanding forms please be returned to school by Monday 7th October?**
- **Wear Red Day**— Thank you to everyone who wore their club colours last Friday. We raised a total of £67 for Sr. Patricia/Trocaire.



•**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, Breakfast Club etc.) should be made payable to St Anne's PS.

•**Packed Lunches**—Please ensure that all fruit & vegetables (e.g. grapes and cherry tomatoes) are cut lengthways to avoid a choking hazard.

•**Healthy Breaks:** Please send only fruit or a plain biscuit to school as a break-time snack. Water or milk may be drunk at break-time. One sweet or savoury treat is appropriate for lunchtime. No fizzy drinks should be brought to school at any time.

•**Loughguile Credit Union**—Remember to send in your child's savings (max £2) on a Wednesday in the folder provided.