



St. Anne's Primary School

Thursday
15th April 2021

- **Welcome back everyone** to a new school term. We hope you had a lovely Easter break.
- **Reminder:** The school will be closed on **Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th May** for the Bank Holiday and Staff Development Day.
- **St Anne's PTA** would like to thank parents and members of the wider community who voted for our school in a recent Facebook competition. The school won a free webinar workshop with **STRIVE NI**. The company offers training for parents and local organisations to help support children and young people with social, emotional and /or behavioural difficulties. More information will follow when the session has been arranged.
- **Reminder of school start and finish times:**
 - P1, P2 and P7 pupils enter the school grounds from 8.50am, through the main pedestrian gate.
 - P3, P4, P5 & P6 pupils enter the school grounds at 8.50am, through the lower pedestrian gate (P1-P2 playground).
 - All children must go directly to their classrooms. Registration for all pupils is at 9.00am.
 - P1 & P2 pupils finish at 2.00 pm and exit through the main pedestrian gate.
 - P3 and P4 pupils finish at 2.40pm and exit through the lower pedestrian gate (P1-P2 playground).
 - P5 and P6 pupils finish at 2.50pm and exit through the lower pedestrian gate (P1-P2 playground).
 - P7 pupils finish at 2.50pm and exit through the main pedestrian gate.
- **St Anne's PTA "Split the Pot"** has returned!! Mary P McCollum won an amazing £148 in this week's draw. Well done Mary! Over the Easter Holidays Aidan & Orla McDevitt won £169 and Kathleen McGowan won £105. Thanks to everyone for their fantastic support. The next draw will take place on **Wednesday 21st April**. We have sent home 2 envelopes to each family but feel free to return as many as you like. Envelopes will be quarantined until the draw takes place. Envelopes are also available to complete in all the usual outlets.



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 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 print from the school website. Please ensure all details are included in any absence notes.
- **Brain Gym for P6 pupils** will continue every **Tuesday from 3.00-4.00pm**. Parents will have to collect their children from school as there will be no bus available at this time.
- **Swimming** - There will be no swimming lessons until further notice.
- **Loughguile Credit Union**—School Savings have been postponed until further notice.
- **Hurling/Camogie with Dominic McKinley** has been postponed until further notice.
- **Online Safety**—We ask parents to reinforce online safety messages with their children and to regularly monitor their online platforms to ensure they are not accessing or participating in anything unsuitable. Most of these platforms have a minimum age limit, therefore not appropriate for children of primary school age. Many children have been known to be sending messages/interacting long after they should be asleep. Parents should delete any apps they deem improper. Please visit the NSPCC website which has a wealth of guidance and advice.
- **School Dinner**—Hot School Dinners are continuing on a trial basis. An online menu order for next week is available to complete on the school website. Please complete the order by 9am on Monday. After completion, please send the fee, if applicable, into school in an envelope with your child's name on by Monday morning (19th April). As the dinners are prepared in St Patrick's kitchen, the cooks need to know the numbers in advance.
- **St Anne's Breakfast Club** is temporarily cancelled. Parents will be updated on when we can begin offering this service again.
- **Any pupils who borrowed iPads from school to assist with home learning are kindly asked to return them to school as soon as possible.**
- A copy of **St Anne's Holiday List** is available to view on the school website. Paper copies are available from the office on request.



•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

•**Healthy Breaks:** Please send only fruit or a plain biscuit to school as a break-time snack. 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.

•**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.