

## Thank-You

Thank-you to John Williamson from John Williamson Plumbing for his very generous donation towards a new football kit for the P6/P7 team. Also thanks to Campbell Keating, Tesco Community officer, for their donation towards our sensory room and lego therapy room.

We greatly appreciate all support offered for any aspect of school life and if you feel you could assist please get in touch.

## Election of Parent Representative on the Board of Governors

The election for a parent representative on the Board of Governors will be held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm. One nomination form was received. If you are available, please feel free to attend the short meeting.

## PTA Meeting

The first PTA meeting of the year is scheduled for Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm. All parents are very welcome to attend. I would encourage anybody planning to attend to also try to make the parental election at 7pm.

## School Photographs

Individual and family photographs will be taken by Opus on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> **October**. Information will be sent home in due course. Apologies for my error last week as I said they would be taken in September.

## Parent Helpers

Many parents last year completed Access NI checks that meant they were able to assist us with trips out of school. If you would be interested in assisting, or indeed are unsure if you need to renew your clearance, please call into the office and Mrs McCluskie or Mrs Armstrong will be happy to answer any questions you may have. As these are voluntary roles there will not be a charge to complete a check.

## Reading Partnership

Last year we started a reading partnership scheme to support younger pupils with their reading in school. Having an adult provide 1:1 time for reading really benefits a child and we are hoping to extend the scheme this year. Training for parents will be provided by Mrs McDowell on a date that suits those interested. If you are interested to get involved, please call into the office and let Mrs McCluskie or Mrs Armstrong know when would suit and we will do our best to schedule the most suitable time.

## Breakfast Club

This year Breakfast club will open at the earlier time of 8am and costs £1 per pupil per day.

## School's Out NI Jobs

School's Out NI are looking to recruit people to work for them. An advert can be found online as well as on the front door to school.

## Classroom Assistant Posts

We are currently advertising several classroom assistant positions with hours ranging from 15 to 20 per week. Job descriptions can be found on [www.eani.org.uk](http://www.eani.org.uk).

## Lost Property

Final call for lost property. Any items unclaimed from last year will be sent to local charity shops on Monday.

## Dates Ahead

Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	School Photographs
w/c Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Parent Interview Week
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Flu Vaccination
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Last Day of Term
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	School Closed – Staff Training
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	School reopens for pupils

If there is anything I or any of the teachers can do to assist you or your child(ren) please get in touch via the office or email me on [jgray246@c2kni.net](mailto:jgray246@c2kni.net)  
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