



March

Our Monthly Update

29/03/19



From the Principal

Well that term has just flown, can't quite believe we will be off for Easter in a couple of weeks. There is, however, a fair bit happening between now and then, such as an Eco Week, Walking Bus, Spanish Afternoon, PTA Easter Trail...Not sure it will all fit in! Details of each can be found in this newsletter.

Thank you for your incredible on-going support with all that we have done this term. Your participation and contributions at Parent Consultations was invaluable.

Our lovely Governors thoroughly enjoyed a recent tour of the school, having opportunity to visit every class and meet the pupils. As always they were very impressed with the standards of work, behaviour and manners on display.

I hope you all have a lovely Easter break and we can live in hope that the lovely Spring weather continues. I'm really looking forward to sunny mornings out on Strangford Lough.

Travelling Book Fair

Raised £288
worth of books
for our class
libraries

Thank You

School closed for Polling

Thurs 2 May

PTA Events

We are so grateful that the PTA has recently purchased a new Digi-Panel for the P3 classroom, it has subsidised £3.00 per child for school trips and paid for this term of Spanish tuition. Their next venture is an:

EASTER TRAIL on Wednesday 10 April

Families can drop in anytime between 5.30 and 7.00 pm to follow the trail and grab a hotdog. Details will be sent home soon.

Goodbye

We wish Miss Barratt and her bump a restful few weeks as they head off on a much needed maternity leave, SCU2 can't wait to find out what 'type' is in the bump.

We are very sad to wave goodbye to Mrs Brown and Ms O'Callaghan as they start the next exciting chapter of their lives. We know they'll settle easily into a less frantic pace of life .

Charity Week

Once again we were blown away by the generosity shown during our recent Charity Week. We had great fun participating in sea themed activities to remind us of the importance of keeping our beaches and seas free of plastic.

The buns on sale all week went down a treat. Thank you very much for the kind contributions of both buns and money.

Most importantly we raised an amazing **£1682** in total for the Marine Conservation Society.

Welcome

We are delighted to welcome new pupils Mia to our P5 class and Micah to SCU2. We know that everyone will give them a warm Carryduff PS welcome.

We are also delighted to welcome Mrs Adam's new baby Matthew to the Carryduff PS family; he is very cute with his shock of dark hair.

Reminder

Last Day of Term

12 April

12 noon finish

Non Uniform

£1 for PTA Funds

School News

Netball

Our girls recently played a match against Lisnasharragh PS, which they won comfortably.

Swimming

P5 have started lessons at Templemore Baths each Thursday.

Around the classes

Book Week was lots of fun. Each class adopted an author and dressed their classroom door accordingly. After a fiercely contested battle for likes on Facebook, SCU1 came out victorious with P2 following close on their heels.

P1, P2 and SCU1 recently travelled to the Lyric theatre to watch a play called 'Milo's Hat Trick' as part of the Young At Art Belfast Children's Festival. They really enjoyed the cultural experience.

Next week is Eco Week. Each day there will be activities planned to help the pupils explore aspects of our Eco Code. These will include a Walking Bus, a Paper Free day and a Move

More day. Details to the right.

Sustrans Big Pedal is on so don't forget to travel actively to school each day next week; by foot, scooter or bike.

Some of our P7 pupils enjoyed a full one day workshop creating music from junk materials, including generating electronic sound. This action packed day was courtesy of the Grand Opera House and Beat Carnival.

Our P6 and P7 classes developed their coding skills with a half day Robotics and Coding workshop facilitated by Sentinus. Fantastic problem-solving skills were demonstrated.

P5 enjoyed a super day at Castle Espie and were frisked down for smuggled ducks upon their return.

They have also come to the end of a very entertaining year-long Shared Education programme with St Joseph's PS, working with the YMCA.

P4 are looking forward to visiting Castle Ward soon to play the part of being evacuees for the day.

Eco Week Activities

Walking Bus

Tuesday 2 April 8.35 am at Carryduff Shopping Centre

P1-P4 pupils must be accompanied by an adult

Move More Day

Wednesday 3 April

Pupils can wear trainers and sports gear to school

Spanish Afternoon

Thurs 11 April

at 1.15pm

P1-P5 parents and guests are very welcome to attend



Diary Dates

- Walking Bus 2 April
- Move More Day 3 April
- Spanish Afternoon 11 April
- SCU Coffee Morning @ 11.15am 12 April
- Term ends 12 April
12pm finish Non Uniform £1
- New term starts 29 April
- School closed for Polling 2 May
- Bank Holiday 6 May
- P7 Edinburgh Trip 7-10 May



P6 pupils had a lot of problem-solving to do to get the coding right in order for robot to make its journey