



Parent/Teacher Consultations

Week beginning
8 October 2018
2pm finish all
week



Mr and Mrs Magill on their
wedding day

Walking Bus & Ditch the Dark Day

Leaving Carryduff
Shopping Centre
Thurs 4 Oct
@ 8.35 am

From the Principal

The summer holidays feel like a lifetime ago now, but I'm sure we all enjoyed the gorgeous weather in July. We are delighted at how quickly your children have settled into their new classes and routines already this term.

We appreciate your support as very many of you came out to attend Information Afternoons last week. As always, we want to continue to work closely with you to make school as fulfilling for your child as possible this year and establish strong home/school links.

It is super to see all the children looking so lovely in their new uniforms, thank you for complying with the uniform list. Visitors often comment on just how smart our children look; we are very proud of our lovely school.

I have included some information in this newsletter which I hope will help you in preparing for the forthcoming school term. As always, if you have any problems or queries, please discuss them with us and we will work together to resolve them.

Welcome & Congrats

Carryduff Primary School would like to warmly welcome our 23 new P1 children into Mrs Brown's class and our 3 new P1s in SCU1. They have settled in really well and will be staying for a full day (2.00 pm) from Monday 1 October.

We also are delighted to welcome some other new pupils into our school. Ollie has joined SCU1, Lilly P2, Adam SCU2 and Michael P6.

We are also delighted to welcome several new members of staff for this term, Miss Campbell and Mrs Gordon in P1, Miss Smalley in P2 and Miss McCracken in P6.

We want to congratulate Miss Broom who got married during the summer holidays. She looked beautiful and thoroughly enjoyed her special day. We still have not got used to calling her Mrs Magill.



Pupil Safety

We have spoken to all of the children about staying safe at the end of school and advice for pupils was sent home. We hope you will take the opportunity to talk this over with your children.

The playground pedestrian gate is opened at 8.30am each morning, children should not be in the playground before this. Supervision begins at 8.45 am.

On wet days, pupils may come inside from 8.45 am, P1 & P2 go straight to their rooms, P4-P7 are supervised in the foyer.

In the playground before school, could parents please wait by the railings (P1 parents along the side) as the teacher on duty needs to be able to see all the pupils.

Please do not bring dogs into the school playground as many children are scared of dogs and we cannot guarantee that your dog will not bite!

Music

We are pleased to congratulate seventeen pupils on their success in school music exams in June 2018.

Eoin, Rachel, Lauren, Dawn, Sera and Cameron passed various piano exams ranging from pre-preparatory to Grade 2, all with Distinction.

Sophie, Karis and Zara achieved Grade 1 in Music Theatre with Merit /Distinction.

Jamie and Harvey attained a Merit in Debut Drums.

Keren, Holly, Ava, Sonia, Karis achieved Grade 1 violin with Pass/Merit and Dawn Grade 2 with Distinction.

Last year's P7 are missing from the photograph below.

What a talented bunch of musicians we have in CPS.



School News

The P2-P6 pupils have already started Spanish lessons, with Joanne. P1 will start in October and P7 later in the year.

The P6 class began their swimming lessons at Templemore Swim and Fitness Centre last week.

We are delighted that we will again be working with **Sustrans** this year to promote cycling, scooting and walking to school. Look out for our Autumn events, starting with our Walking Bus next week, information should be in schoolbags. We hope you will support our attempts to get children actively travelling to school. It is good for your children's health and will help to ease traffic congestion, see below. It's a win win!

Activity Time takes place on a Thursday afternoon from 2.10 to 3.00pm each Thursday for P4-P7 pupils. Over the course of the year the pupils will experience a range of activities such as sport, science, cookery, ICT, music, pottery....

IMPORTANT

We are a nut free school

We have several pupils with serious allergies. Please do not send **any** nut products into school.

School Meals

We would urge anyone who may be entitled to Free School Meals to apply as soon as possible. Every successful application directly benefits our school funding.

School dinners are currently being delivered from Lisnasharagh Primary School kitchen, costing £2.60 per day for those not on Free School Meals. We are unsure when our kitchen is to reopen, but the meals continue to be both tasty and healthy.

Diary Dates

P1 stay until 2.00pm	1 October
Walking Bus	4 October
PTA AGM	8 October
Parent Interviews	8 October (week beginning)
Maths Week	15 October (week beginning)
Harvest @9.15am <i>Everyone Welcome</i>	19 October
Half Term	29 Oct-2 Nov (inclusive)

Traffic Congestion

Thank you for your continued co-operation in easing traffic congestion, in the mornings particularly. **We would ask again that, as a matter of courtesy, you please do not park across residents' driveways or cul-de-sacs.**

We would strongly encourage you to park at the Presbyterian Church car park and cross with the patrolman, or at the shopping centre, thus avoiding Killynure Road altogether.