Clare Primary School February Newsletter 2020



Dear parents/guardians,

Thank you for taking time to read the February Newsletter.

Dates for diary

- P6/7 residential trip information evening 6th February.
- School photographs 10th February.
- Friends of Clare meeting 11th February.
- School closed 17th, 18th and 19th February.
- School reopens after half term Thursday 20th February.
- Book Fair in school 26th February 3rd March.
- P1 P6 parent teacher interviews 2nd 6th March.
- Waterbus for P6 and P7 10th March.
- School closed 16th and 17th March.
- Mad Scientist Day 2nd April.
- School closed for Easter 6th 17th April.
- School reopens after Easter Monday 20th April.

January Test Week

The results from test week will be discussed at the Primary 1-6 Parent/Teacher meetings held on the week beginning 2nd March. All the teaching staff appreciate the hard work parents do all year but in particular during revision week as the work you do has a huge impact on a child's self-esteem as well as their academic progress.

P6/7 Residential

Parents of children currently in P6 Mrs White's class or P7 Miss Lindsay and Mrs Allen's class, are invited to an information evening about the upcoming residential trip. As the trip last year was such a success, we shall return to the same venue, Ganaway from 28th to 30th April. All information including costs, activities, menus and clothing requirements will be presented to you and there will be an opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

School Photographs

Opus photography will be taking the school photographs for your children this year on Monday 10th February. Please make sure your child (ren) attend school in full uniform on this day. I appreciate we all want the school photos to look good but please make sure haircuts are organised outside of school time.

Friends of Clare

A meeting will be held in school in Room 1 (Miss Lindsay/Mrs Allen's room) at 7pm on Tuesday, 11th February. You are all very welcome to attend, you do not have to be a committee member to attend just interested in lending a hand at some events or sharing ideas. We hope to see as many people there as possible.

Book Fair

Our book fair is back at the end of February, we raised a huge amount of money from this event on the last occasion, which goes directly on resources for our pupils. We hope you are able to support this event again. The pupils in our school really do enjoy reading.

Parent Teacher Meetings

P7 parents have had earlier interviews due to school transfer selection deadlines. P1 to P6 parents will be invited to interview $2^{nd} - 6^{th}$ March.

Action MS

As a thank you to our three top fundraisers for our sponsored walk last year in Gosford Forest Park, Action MS invited them to attend an awards luncheon at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Belfast. The three girls represented our school impeccably and went on stage to receive their awards in front of a huge crowd, which was 'a very nervous but exciting time' for them. The school also received an award for our fundraising efforts, thank you very much for your support and congratulations to all involved, especially our school ambassadors.

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Healthy Break

Children who are taking Healthy Break please bring £1.50 on Friday 7th February as this will cover the week 10th–14th February and also the following Thursday (20th) that we come back after the Half-Term break.

<u>Uniform</u>

Please note the following reminders of some aspects of our school uniform. Girls must only wear small stud earrings and also small hair bows. No nail polish should be worn. On PE days, all children must wear **plain** navy track bottoms and on non PE days proper black school shoes are to be worn and not black trainers. I would appreciate your support on this matter.

Congratulations

I am sure you will join me in congratulating Mrs White as she is expecting her first child in May. Everyone at Clare Primary School wishes her all the best at this exciting time.

Shona Lindsay Principal