



FAIRVIEW P.S.

Child Protection / Safeguarding

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Please remember that if you have any concerns about your own child or another child outside school, as well as in, you should share these concerns with:

Mrs Burns

(Designated Teacher for Child Protection and Safeguarding)
or

Mr McAllister/Miss Earls

(Deputy Designated Teachers)
or

Mrs Matthews

The Child Protection Policy can be accessed on the school website or via the school office.

Safety at Gates

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We have received a complaint from a local resident at Thornhill about damage to her car. The issue appears to be that parents are opening car doors into her car and then causing damage. Could I ask that you be mindful of our local residents as well as other parents when parking in the mornings or at the end of school. Thank you.

Diary Dates 2021

May Bank Holiday - School Closed	Monday, 3rd May
Whole School Assessment Week	Tuesday, 4th - Friday, 7th May
School Photos	Wednesday, 12th May
School closed - May / June Holiday	Monday, 31st May - Friday, 4th June

P1 Pupils - September 2021

If you have a child starting P1 in September, you should have received confirmation from both the Education Authority and school this week. If you have not received this, then please contact the school office.

AQE Update - P6 Parents

Most of you will be aware that AQE were to have informed schools about whether or not the AQE will go ahead next year by late April. So far there has been no communication from them as to what will be happening. We are also in close contact with Ballyclare High School who have no further information. Whilst we wait for a decision to be made, I would like to reassure you that we continue to prepare our pupils in readiness for the exam if it proceeds next school year. No learning will be wasted and all our pupils are working exceptionally hard and I would hope we will be in a position to clarify what is happening very soon for both them and you as parents.

Facebook Launch

As a school we are planning to spread our social media platform by launching a Facebook page. It is an opportunity to provide up to date information about the school for parents and the wider community, as well as showcasing the work taking place by our children in school.

A letter will be sent out to all parents, outlining our expectations for its use, prior to the page being launched on Monday, 10th May. We are really looking forward to sharing even more of all the great work going on in Fairview!

School Photos

All parents should have received a letter via SeeSaw yesterday about school photos which will be taken on Wednesday, 12th May. Every child's photo will be taken for ease of operations on the day but you are under no obligation to purchase! If you really do not want your child's photo taken then please SeeSaw the teacher. Photographs will then be able to be viewed and purchased online from Parkway. Further information will follow.

Active Travel

Last week was a super week of Active Travel! Well done to all those boys, girls, mums, dads and grandparents who took to their feet, scooters or bikes to travel to school. Over the course of the week we had over 2600 active journeys - well done everyone!!

The overall winning classes, with the highest percentage of children travelling actively to school were

P7McA, P6P, P6D,P6H and P4E

'Safe Place' School

As a school we are continually looking for ways in which we can support our local community. Recently, Mrs Matthews and Mrs Burns attended training linked to becoming a Safe Space school whereby we recognise the impact domestic violence has upon our community and what we can do to help. Following this training, we are now officially a Safe Place school in support of zero tolerance to domestic violence. If you feel that you require support or advice we are a place in which you can confidentially access information and support. Details will be sent home via Seesaw with a range of helpline numbers for your information.

Mrs Burns also attended Safe Employer training linked to ensuring our workplace is a supportive safe space for those suffering from domestic violence and we have now been awarded our Bronze award following this training.

Caution in the Playground!

Whilst it is great to see so many pupils and parents coming to school on scooters and bikes, can I ask you to dismount as you reach the gates. Bikes and scooters should not be ridden in the playgrounds or around the side of classrooms. There have been one or two 'near misses' with pupils and parents and we would prefer to avoid any accidents! Many thanks.