



FAIRVIEW P.S.

Child Protection / Safeguarding

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:

Miss Earls

(Designated Teacher for Child Protection and Safeguarding)
or

Mrs Norris / Miss Bennett

(Deputy Designated Teachers)
or

Mrs Matthews

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

Attendance - September

We have had such a positive start to the school year with continuing high attendance rates in most classes. Well done to all the boys and girls for having made such a great start to the school year. The following classes are the top three for the month of September:

1st place - P5CP - 97.8%

2nd place - P6DH - 97.7%

3rd place - P1NG/SS - 97.4%

Diary Dates 2021

Parent Teacher Interview Week	Monday, 18th October
Flu Vaccine Week	Monday, 18th - Wednesday 20th October
School closing early for Interviews (see below for times)	Wednesday, 20th & Thursday, 21st October
Non-uniform Day - £1	Friday, 22nd October
Normal 2pm finishing	Friday, 22nd October
School Closed for Half Term	Monday, 25th - Friday, 29th October (inclusive)
School re-starts at 8.55am	Monday, 1st November
Pupil of the Month Awards	Monday, 1st November
Cash for Clobber Day (details to follow)	Tuesday, 2nd November

Covid-19

As we head towards half term, I would like to thank you all, once again, for your support and understanding around pupils displaying symptoms and our requests for testing. We acknowledge it may be frustrating when your child develops a cough and we need you to have a PCR test carried out but for those of you who have been requested, thank you! You have all done it with understanding and without a grumble. With us entering the colds and flu season, we know there may yet be challenging days ahead but, in the meantime, we will continue to work with you for the safety of all our pupils, staff and families.

We continue to ask you to keep an eye on your child / children if they are displaying any of the recognised Covid symptoms:

- a high temperature
- a new and persistent cough
- a loss of taste or smell

If your child has any of the above then please ensure a PCR test is booked and results sent through to lcaldwell474@c2kni.net. Pupils should remain at home until a negative result is received.

Baby News!

We are delighted to share with you that Mrs Cousley had her baby on 4th October! She had a little baby boy who weighed in at 7lb 7oz. Both mummy and baby are doing well and we pass on all our congratulations to Mrs Cousley and her husband.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Once again this year the PTIs will be conducted over the phone and the staff are very much looking forward to chatting to you all. You have all received your times by now. If you are unable to make your appointment then please do let the teacher know in advance so that an alternative call time can be arranged. The call will come up on your phone as 'No Caller ID'. Please ensure it is answered as the teachers are on a tight schedule over the course of next week.

All pupils will leave school early on Wednesday, 20th and Thursday, 21st to facilitate the interviews.

P1 - 3 pupils will start to leave from 12.15pm

P4 & 5 pupils will leave at 12.25pm

P6 & 7 pupils will leave at 12.30pm

Please make sure that all pupils are collected promptly on these days. Thank you.

Breakfast Club - Re-start

We are finally in a position to re-start the Breakfast Club immediately after half term - Monday, 1st November. Mrs Alexander will be the staff member on duty to meet your child / children.

It will be available from 7.50am until 8.45am. Pupils arriving before 8.15am will be charged £3.00 and those arriving from 8.15am will be charged £2.50. This includes a breakfast of cereal, toast, juice and fresh fruit. Please ensure all monies are paid daily and the correct change is handed over.

Entry will be via the side door in the staff car park. Please note that all parents must park in the **parent car park and not the staff one**. All pupils should be walked up to the breakfast club from the school gate.

Non-Uniform Day

Our charity co-ordinators, Mrs Graham and Mrs Strong, have organised a non-uniform day for next Friday, 22nd October, in aid of Hope 365. We are asking all pupils to donate £1 to the charity as we continue to support the street kids in Shashmene, Ethiopia. The charity is based here in Ballyclare and we are hoping to be able to support this worthwhile cause in a fun and easy way!

Free School Meals

We would encourage all parents who are entitled to Free School Meals to apply for these at www.eani.org.uk/fsm. Your child may not want to take the meal but as a school, this is an important and necessary element to our overall funding. Currently the number we have in receipt of FSM from the start of September is lower than we would normally have, so please check if you are entitled to FSM and visit the website to start the process.

Accelerated Reading

Accelerated Reader in P4 - P7 is up and running. All pupils will have been given their level of book to read and are being encouraged to get reading! Massive congratulations to this year's first word millionaire, Connor Simpson (P5JC); what a huge achievement! So far we have read a really impressive 18,372,696 words, with Mr Creighton's class having read the most with 3,212,210 words. Keep up the brilliant reading everyone.

School Meals - Change to Menu

On Wednesday, 20th October, there will be only the chicken curry option available for school meals.