



January News Sheet

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Welcome Back

We would like to welcome all our pupils back to school after the Christmas and New Year holidays. We hope you all had a good break and enjoyed plenty of family time over the last fortnight.

On behalf of all the staff I would like to once again thank you all for your generosity at the end of the term. Your kindness with cards and gifts was very much appreciated.

School Snack

Snack money for February is **£8.50**. It is the responsibility of the parent to inform the school if payment is late that their child requires snack. This should be paid on or before 26th January. **Payments cannot be made on a daily basis.**

Open Enrolment Forms

Open enrolment forms are available from the school office. If your child is 4 on or before 1st July 2018 they will be due to start school in September. The closing date for application forms is Wednesday 10th January 2018.

Professor Fluffy

P7 pupils will visit Queen's University as part of the Professor Fluffy programme.

Sponsored Silence

P7 will be having a sponsored silence for Autism NI on Friday 12th January.

Belfast Giants

Friday 19th January selected P4-P7 pupils will be meeting at the Odyssey to see the Belfast Giants.

Football Festival

Tuesday 23rd January our football team will be travelling to Ormeau Park.

Safety

P6/7 will visit the RADAR Centre to learn techniques to keep safe on 24th January.

Jewellery

Although stud earrings are allowed to be worn in school no jewellery is allowed during PE time. As P1 – P3 have either PE or outdoor play each day it is advisable for them not to wear jewellery. Older children are responsible for the removal and safety of their own jewellery in preparation for PE.

Text Messaging Service

Please keep us informed of any changes of mobile numbers. It would be our intention to communicate with parents using this service in the event that the school would have to close due to inclement weather.

W5 Seismic Citizenship

P6/7 will be having a visit from W5 to continue their study of South America.

Stormont

P7 will be visiting Stormont, Thursday 25th January.

Superman Reading Day

P1-P3 are looking for male volunteers to read to the classes on Friday 26th January.

P7 Transfer interviews will take place week commencing 29 January. AQE and GL results will be issued on **Saturday 27**

January. Interview times will be sent home to P7 parents.

Attendance

Again punctuality and attendance are a focus. The Senior Management Team will monitor attendance on a monthly basis and contact the parents of those whose attendance falls below 90%. If attendance falls below 85% then a referral will be made to the Education Welfare Officer.