Lissan PS Newsletter

December 2020

Dear Parents,

Please find below useful information and reminders for the month of December 2020.





Dear Parents/ Guardians,

As we enter into the Holy Season of Advent, the children are busy in many ways preparing for Christmas.

Our School Council have launched the "Lissan Christmas Appeal" and I would like to commend them on their impressive ability to work together and their empathy towards others in our local community.

While this is a very different December than normal, we hope that we will be able to organise lots of activities in school to make it as special for our pupils as possible.

Please do not hestitate to contact me if you have any worries or concerns cmcintyre695@c2kni.net

It is important to check the school website to keep up to date with upcoming events within the school-www.lissanps.com

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Mrs Ciara McIntyre (Principal)

Christmas Dinner

Friday 11th December

We would like the children to wear something Christmassy on this day, if they wish – but please do not go to the expense of buying a Christmas jumper!



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School Attendance

If your child is unwell or has an unavoidable appointment, it is essential to contact the school office. Department of Education guidance outlines that we require a reason for absence otherwise your child will be marked as Unauthorised Absence. Thank you for your support in this matter.



Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th December For children starting school in September 2021

Our Open Evenings for P1 pupils (new families only) starting school in September 2021, will take place on Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th December from 4pm to 8pm by appointment only. We are working within the current COVID restrictions, and as such, we are asking that only NEW families make an appointment to visit the school. As soon as guidance changes, we hope to be able to re-open our school to all our families.

- Situated 3 miles from Cookstown
- Small class sizes
- High standards of academic achievement
- Highly qualified and caring staff
- Wide range of extra-curricular opportunities
- Breakfast Club and After Schools
 Care

All adults should wear a face covering during the visit. Hand sanitising stations are located around the school.

If the above dates are not convenient, please do not hesitate to contact me to make alternative arrangements.

Mrs Ciara McIntyre Principal Lissan PS, 6 Claggan Road, Cookstown 02886764581 inko@lissan.cookstown.ni.sch.uk

Open Enrolment for 2021

The Education Authority will publish information on their website about the Primary One Admissions procedure and Admissions Procedure and Admissions Criteria for Primary Schools on Friday 18th December.

Applications for entry to Primary One are now online and the portal will open on Thursday 7th January at 12 Noon and close on Friday 29th January at 12 noon.

All information is available on EA website under the admissions section at:

https://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions

It is essential to ensure that Supporting documentation (Birth Certificate) is with the school before the portal closes. If you need any additional help, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

School Holidays

The school will close on Tuesday 22nd December at 12 noon for the Christmas Holidays.

We will reopen on Thursday 7th January 2021

Thank You!!!!

A massive thank you to everyone who sponsored our Autumn Walk. We raised an outstanding figure of £3890.52

Thank you so much!!



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Christmas Masses

St. Michael's Church, Lissan.

<u>Please Note:</u> In our efforts to continue safeguarding our community, attendance at <u>ALL</u> these masses will be by ticket only.

To obtain tickets please ring: 028 86764581 (Lissan PS 9-3pm Mon-Fri)
028 86763674 (Evening & weekends)

Christmas Eve Thursday 24 th December 2020	4:30 p.m.
Christmas Eve Thursday 24 th December 2020	7:00 p.m.
Christmas Eve Thursday 24 th December 2020	10:00 p.m.
Christmas Day Friday 25 th December 2020	11:00 a.m.

(Please note: These arrangements may be subject to change pending

Government restrictions)

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I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone in our school community a very Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year. Thank you for all your support and kindness in 2020.

