

June 2021



Dear Parents,

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



P5/6 enjoying the Daily Mile

Dear Parents,

As we approach the end of the final term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your superb support through what has been a challenging year. Despite the difficulties created by the pandemic, the children have worked exceptionally well and achieved so much!

I would like to thank our outstanding staff team, who have worked tirelessly supporting the children.

We still have a number of very busy weeks ahead, so please remember to check the school website and Class Dojo for updated information.

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me cmcintyre695@c2kni.net

Kindest regards,

Mrs Ciara McIntyre

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Primary Seven Leaver's Mass

We will celebrate our P7 Leavers' Mass on Friday 25th June at 10am. Prizegiving will take place directly after the Mass in the Church. Unfortunately, we can only invite two adults from each family to attend the Mass, to ensure we keep to the correct numbers within the Church. The Mass can be viewed online <http://mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-michaels-lissan>



Sports Day

Sports Day will take place on Wednesday 16th June at Lissan GAA Pitch. The children will participate in a number of activities within their own class bubbles. While it is lovely to watch your child on Sports Day, and we really value your support, it is also important to continue to adhere to Covid guidance, and we ask that you refrain from coming to the pitch during Sports. The school would not wish to be responsible for an outbreak within the Parish. We appreciate your understanding – thank you.

Thank you to Lissan GAA for allowing us the use of their pitch and to Conor McCrory for helping us organise and run Sports.

School finishes on Wednesday 30th at 12 noon. Buses will operate as normal on that day.



Together we learn, grow and play in God's love and care.

Free School Meals/School Uniform/Physical Education Clothing Allowance Application

If you think you may be eligible for FREE SCHOOL MEALS I would urge you to apply. Most additional funds are granted to schools with high Free School Meals rates and unfortunately our school has missed out on many of these additional grants. An example of this is the additional money Lissan PS received for COVID this year – we received £3,500 in comparison to a nearby school of similar size that received £12,500. Increasing the number of FSM will have a massive impact on improving our school budget. For more information please follow this link:

<https://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals-uniform-grants>

Home to School Transport Application

If your child is going to be travelling to and from school by bus in September 2021, an application form must be completed online. Please use the link below:

<https://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/home-to-school-transport>



Free School Meals and Uniform Grants

Parent checklist for online applications




Am I eligible?

To be eligible you must be in receipt of one of the following:

- Income Support;
- Income Based Jobseeker's Allowance;
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance;
- Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit;
- Child Tax Credit or Working Tax Credit with an annual taxable household income of £16,190 or less;
- Universal Credit with net household earnings not exceeding £14,000 per year;

Or, you are an Asylum Seeker supported by the Home Office Asylum Support Assessment Team (ASAT).



What documentation do I need?

You only need to upload documentation if you are in receipt of Child Tax Credit, Working Tax Credit or Universal Credit. If you are in receipt of Income Support, Income Based Jobseeker's Allowance, Income Related Employment and Support Allowance or Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit you will not need to upload any documentation.



What else do I need?

You will need your National Insurance number, your children's names, dates of birth and schools they will be attending; your address, e-mail and telephone number; your bank or building society account and sort code details.



Where do I submit my application?

You can make your application online by visiting the link in this post - after you submit your application it will take up to four weeks to process. You will be contacted if we need any further information. If you are having any difficulties accessing the website or if you need any help and advice you can contact our dedicated helpdesk on (028) 90 418044 or email mealsanduniform@eani.org.uk

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P1 Welcome Day!

We were delighted to welcome our 19 new Primary One boys and girls into school on Friday 4th June. Each child received a beautiful storybook. We look forward to seeing them all return in September. Please have a look on our school website for more photos!



Goodbye to Miss Hughes!

Miss Hughes and Mollie completed their work placements in P1 and P2/3. We wish them both every success in their careers ahead.
Thank you.

Non Uniform Day!

Friday 18th June will be a NON UNIFORM day. We ask that each child brings in £1 for school funds – many thanks.





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A “Massive Thank you” to Michael & Daniel Loughran and all the team at LCC!!

We are indebted to the team from LCC who spent last week vastly improving our school environment. The team powerhosed the entire school building and mobiles, in preparation for painting during the summer. In addition, they worked on enhancing our green areas - mowing, strimming, laying and weeding, hedge cutting and trimming.

This work, and the painting of the school has saved our budget **thousands of pounds** – and means that we can spend this saving on vital classroom resources for the children.

As school budgets are under ever increasing pressure the generosity of LCC will have a huge impact on every child in Lissan PS’s learning environment and educational opportunities in the new academic year.

It also means that our schools looks lovely – something we are very proud of! Thank you again!

Holiday List 2021/2022

Back to School

All Pupils return to school on Tuesday 31st August 2021 (from 9.05 to 12 noon)
Wednesday 1st September 2021 onwards are normal school days

Staff Training

Monday 27th September 2021 (1 day)

Mid-Term Break

Monday 25th October - Friday 29th October 2021 (5 days)

Christmas Holidays

School closes at 12 noon on Wednesday 22nd December 2021
Thursday 23rd December 2021 - Wednesday 5th January 2022 (10 days)

Mid-Term Break

Monday 14th February - Friday 18th February 2022 (5 days)

Bank Holiday

Thursday 17th & Friday 18th March 2022 (2 days)

Easter Holidays

School closes at 12 noon on Thursday 14th April 2022
Friday 15th April – Friday 22nd April 2022 (6 days)

May / June Bank Holiday

Monday 2nd May, Thursday 2nd & Friday 3rd June 2022 (3 days)

Summer Holidays

School closes at 12 noon on Thursday 30th June 2022