November 2022

Dear Parents,

Please find below useful information and reminders for the month of November 2022.



Mass

The whole school will continue to attend Mass every Monday at 9.30am

The Mass can be viewed on mcnmedia.tv

We would like to extend our thanks to Monsignor Curry. Our Monday Mass has become an important part of our school week.



Dear Parents/ Guardians,

I hope everyone had a peaceful Mid Term.

We hope that the children enjoyed the rest over the break, and we are looking forward to another busy half term.

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)

Thursday, 8 December
Feast of the Immaculate Conception 2022
Mass times TBC

P7 Swimming every Wednesday

PE with Conor every Tuesday

£500,000 NEW INVESTMENT TO OUR SCHOOL!

Over the last 2 years we have been working hard on an application to the **Investment and Infrastructure Directorate** to replace two existing mobile classrooms (the P2/3 and P5/6 classrooms). These mobiles are in a very poor state, and we have been pushing for them to be replaced with new modular classrooms. We are delighted that our application has been approved. The two "state of the art" classrooms costing approximately £488,000 should be in place by the end of this academic year. The new mobiles will each consist of a classroom, toilet areas, handwashing facilities, additional covered outside play areas, a sensory room and extended play areas. These new facilities will undoubtedly be a tremendously positive enhancement of our pupils' learning environment.

We are delighted to inform you that this building work will begin Mid November. We endeavour to keep disruption to the school as minimal as possible, and will keep you updated as the building work progresses.



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.

Parent/ Teacher Consultations

Parent/ Teacher consultations will be held on the week beginning 14thNovember. Your child's teacher will be in touch via Class DoJo when the timetables have been arranged.

HOMEWORK REMINDER

Homework is an important way to reinforce your child's learning. It is important that the children continue to complete the activities each night as this will reinforce the learning that takes place in the classroom.

If your child is finding difficulty with any homework activity, please message the teacher immediately and we will provide support.

We ask that the children continue to read independently, and this reading is constantly monitored in school through our **Accelerated Reading** programme. The children will continue with their GUIDED READING SESSIONS in school.

If you require any support, or have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the class teacher either through Class Dojo or cmcintyre695@c2kni.net or by phone to the school office.

Sponsored Autumn Walk to Lissan House

Our sponsored walk to Lissan House took place on Thursday 27th October.



It was a wonderful walk – and we have added lots of photos to the school website. Thank you to everyone who supported this event. We were overwhelmed with the amount raised - £3135!! This money will be used to purchase more iPads for the school.



Flu Vaccinations

The school nurse will be in school on Thursday 10th November to give flu vaccinations to the children.

NUT ALLERGIES!!!

We have several children who have severe nut allergies. It is vital that products that MAY contain nuts are not sent into school. If you are UNSURE about a product, we would ask that you err on the side of caution and do not send it in.

Many thank s for your support!



Credit Union Saving Scheme will be collected every Monday



Christmas Dinner





Good luck to all the pupils sitting the Transfer Test on 12th





Anti-Bullying Week takes place on the 14-18th November. The children will be involved in lots of activities to help them know how to keep themselves safe in school, in their community and online.

Why is it important?

"Bullying affects millions of lives and can leave us feeling hopeless. But it doesn't have to be this way. If we challenge it, we can change it. And it starts by reaching out.

Whether it's in school, at home, in the community or online, this week is a chance to reach out and show each other the support we need.

And it doesn't stop with young people. From teachers to parents and influencers to politicians, we all have a responsibility to help each other reach out. Together, let's be the change we want to see. We can reflect on our own behaviour, set positive examples and create kinder communities.

It takes courage, but it can change lives. So, this Anti-Bullying Week, let's come together and reach out to stop bullying."

During Anti Bullying Week the children will be involved in lots of positive activities promoting the importance of being kind to each other. Please keep an eye on our website to see what we get up to.

Follow the link for more information:

https://www.kidscape.org.uk/



