

# Lissan PS Newsletter

March 2023



Please find below useful information and reminders for the month of March 2023

*Dear Parents,*

*It is lovely to see the brighter mornings and longer days that show us that Spring has arrived! I hope the children all had a lovely midterm break and are looking forward to all the wonderful activities we have planned for the remainder of Term 2.*

*The building work is almost complete, and the P2/3 children should be settled in their new classroom within a couple of weeks.*

*This term is always very busy so please keep an eye on Class Dojo and our school website for updated information. Our school Facebook page is a wonderful space for you to see the amazing activities the children are doing in school also.*

*If you require any additional information or have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school.*

*Kindest regards,*

*Mrs McIntyre*

*(Principal)*



## **Sacramental Information**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday 21st March at 7pm**

**The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday 20th May 2023 in St Michael's Church at 11am**



## **Sacrament of Confirmation 2023**

**Service of Light (P7) will take place on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm**

**The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 5 pm in St Michael's Church.**



# School Holidays

## **Bank Holiday**

**Friday 17th March 2023 (1 day)**

## **Easter Holidays**

School closes at 12 noon on Thursday 6th April 2023

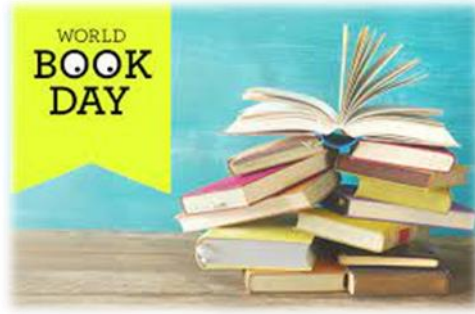
Friday 7th April – Friday 14th April 2023 (6 days)

## **May Bank Holidays**

Monday 1st, Monday 29th & Tuesday 30th May 2023 (3 days)

## **Summer Holidays**

School closes at 12 noon on Friday 30th June 2023



## World Book Day – 2nd March

Reading for pleasure is considered the single biggest indicator of a child's future success! It is so important to see more children developing a life-long habit of reading for pleasure and the improved life chances this brings them. Spending just 10 minutes a day reading and sharing stories with children can make a crucial difference to their future success and it is fun for all involved.

**World Book Day** was created by UNESCO on 23rd April 1995 as a worldwide celebration of books and reading. It is marked in over 100 countries around the globe.

The first World Book Day in the UK and Ireland took place in 1997 to encourage young people to discover the pleasure of reading.

As World Book Day founder, Baroness Gail Reubuck, recalls *"We wanted to do something to reposition reading and our message is the same today as it was then – that reading is fun, relevant, accessible, exciting, and has the power to transform lives."*

**This week on Thursday 2nd March 2022, our pupils will spend the day celebrating their love of reading!**

### Second Hand Book Fair

#### Book Buddies

Dressing up as their favourite book character

Reading and discussing their favourite books

Artwork.

**Children can dress up or come to school in their own clothes on Thursday  
2<sup>nd</sup> – please do not go to any expense!**

# **P7 and School Council Visit Stormont**

**A trip has been organised for the School Council and Primary 7 class to visit the Parliament Buildings, Belfast, on Thursday 9th March 2023.**

**Pupils will learn about the Northern Ireland Assembly, how laws are made and how they can have their say. There will also be an opportunity to take part in a voting/debating activity and a tour of the Assembly and Senate Chambers.**

**The bus will leave the school at 9.00am sharp and return at approximately 2.30pm.**



## **Shared Education**

**Shared Education Partnership**



We are delighted to commence our **Shared Education Partnership** with Gaelscoil Eoghain and Donaghey PS. Our P6 and P7 pupils will participate in variety of activities based alongside their partner peers from the other primary schools. Our children will visit Gaelscoil and Donaghey PS and the partnership will culminate in a visit to Exploris, Portaferry on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March. The Shared Education Project is a superb opportunity for children to meet and work with children from other schools. It gives our children the opportunity to develop the skills and attitudes needed to help build a more cohesive, peaceful and prosperous society. The project is fully funded by EU PEACE V.



## Visit from Local Author

We are delighted to welcome local author Yvonne Fleming from Maghera to school on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March. Yvonne has written a selection of award-winning books called the Weatherbies. Yvonne helps deliver environmental awareness in schools in English and Irish with the help of The Weatherbies.

