



Dear parents,

25<sup>th</sup> August 2022

**Re.: START OF NEW AUTUMN TERM**

I hope you and your family have had a lovely summer break. Staff have been busy over the past few days preparing to welcome the children back to school on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August (parents of new P1 pupils will have received instructions from Miss McKendry regarding their child's start date).

Below is some important information for your attention, along with some key dates:

Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> <b>August</b>	New autumn term begins. Children go home at 12 noon. No school dinners or packed lunches.
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Children go home at 12 noon. No school dinners or packed lunches.
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> <b>September</b>	Children go home at 12 noon. No school dinners or packed lunches.
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	First full school day. Dinners & packed lunches. Children go home at the usual (Friday) time of 2pm.
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Breakfast Club</b> restarts. Doors open at 8:15am. Children coming to Breakfast Club should not arrive at school earlier than 8:15am as they will <u>not</u> be supervised. Places must be pre-booked & paid online. Due to the current cost-of-living crisis, Cregagh PS is temporarily reducing the cost from its usual £1 down to 50p per day
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Meet the Teacher Afternoon for P2-P7 parents, 2-3pm.</b> Parents are invited to come to school to meet their child's new classroom teacher and find out about the year ahead including: the topics your child will learn about, what is expected from them regarding homework, school trips and visits, etc. Parents with more than one child attending school may choose which class teacher's meeting they wish to attend (they will also receive a copy of any written information given out by their other child's class teacher). To help parents attend this important meeting, All P2-P7 pupils will be supervised by school staff from 2pm onwards. More details will be sent home next week.

Due to the limited number of community cases of Covid at present, our school will be returning to its pre-Covid routines:

<b>Mornings</b>	Supervision of children starts at 8:45am. Children should not arrive at school before this time. The school's rear gate will <u>not</u> be open before 8:45am. Children can use either the front or rear entrance gates in the mornings. School bell rings at 8:55am, after which children will line up. Parents should leave the school grounds immediately after dropping children off. Children arriving after 8:55am will be recorded as being late. The school office is very busy in the mornings: parents should leave messages for the secretary, teachers, etc. by using the school's new phone system & leaving messages.
<b>Break Times</b>	Children will play together in their Key Stage groups.
<b>Lunch Times</b>	There will be only one dinner time sitting in the school hall for those having school dinners (not two as during Covid).
<b>Home Times</b>	Only younger classes that finish at 2pm will be able to be collected from the playground area & leave school via the rear yellow gate. All other classes will be dismissed from the front blue gate at the end of the school day.





## SCHOOL UNIFORM

<b>Standard Uniform</b>	
<b>GIRLS</b>	<b>BOYS</b>
Navy, red, yellow or green sweatshirt* (with school badge) Light blue, red, yellow or green polo shirt* (with or without school badge) <i>*Sweater &amp; polo shirt colours can be mixed &amp; matched as desired</i>	
Grey skirt or dark grey trousers	Dark grey trousers
Grey or black tights or grey/white socks	Grey or black socks
Black shoes (flat heels) or black trainers	Black shoes or black trainers

<b>Summer Uniform (optional)</b>	
<b>GIRLS</b>	<b>BOYS</b>
Light blue, red, yellow or green polo shirt (with or without school badge)	
Dark grey school shorts	Dark grey school shorts
Blue checked cotton dress	-
Navy cardigan (with or without school badge)	-

<b>P.E. Kit</b>	
<b>P1-P7 Indoor P.E.</b>	Black plimsolls Navy shorts (with or without school badge) White or light blue t-shirt (with or without school badge)
<b>P1-P7 Outdoor P.E.</b>	Trainers Navy shorts (with or without school badge) <u>or</u> tracksuit bottoms (with or without school badge) White or light blue t-shirt (with or without school badge) School sweater (with school badge)

1. All uniform must be clearly labelled/marked with child's name & checked throughout the year as labels & markers wear off!
2. Uniform available from: The Signature Works, Castlereagh Business Park, Unit 5b, 478 Castlereagh Road, Belfast BT5 6BQ & ONLINE at: [cregaghprimary.thesignatureworks.co.uk](http://cregaghprimary.thesignatureworks.co.uk)





## SCHOOL HOLIDAY LIST FOR PUPILS 2022-23

### AUTUMN TERM (2022)

New Term Commences:	Tuesday 30th August (12 noon finish all pupils)
Wednesday 31st August:	12 noon finish all pupils
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> September:	12 noon finish all pupils
Staff Development Day:	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October (school closed for pupils)
Hallowe'en Holidays:	Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October – Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November (5 school days)
Autumn Term Ends:	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December (12 noon finish all pupils)
Christmas Holidays:	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December-Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January (9 school days)

### SPRING TERM 2023

New Term Commences:	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023
Half-Term Holidays:	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> -Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February (5 school days)
St Patrick's Day:	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March
Spring Term Ends:	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March (12 noon finish all pupils)
Easter Holidays:	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April-Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> April (10 school days)

### SUMMER TERM 2023

New Term Commences:	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April
Early May Bank Holiday:	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May
Spring Bank Holiday:	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May
Staff Development Day:	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> May (school closed for pupils)
Term Ends:	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June (12 noon finish for all pupils)

