



The Wee Friday Note

Friday 11th June 2021



"Don't worry that children never *listen* to you; worry that they are always *watching* you."
Robert Fulghum

- 1. School Reports** – teachers will be sending school reports home with children on Monday 28th June. P7 pupils will receive theirs along with their Records of Achievement Folders on Thursday 24th June.
- 2. Free School Meals 2021-22** – Applications for FSM have been open since last month to re-apply for next year. This is done online at <https://freeschoolmealsanduniforms.eani.org.uk/#no-back> and only takes 10 minutes. You will need to send proof that you receive benefits, if you don't have a recent letter from the Benefits Office they will send you a new one if you ask them to over the phone (Holywood Road Belfast Office and Knockbreda Benefits Office numbers are the same: 0800 022 4250). Good to sort out now rather than wait until August when things get super busy.
- 3. School News** – On Monday, we welcomed back Mrs Standley and Mrs Butt following their time of maternity leave. Next school year, Mrs Standley and Mrs Butt will be moving year groups and working together to teach P4. I've every confidence that this 'Job Share' arrangement, likely to last for a couple of years, will work well and it's an added bonus that the children moving into P4 already know both teachers ... especially after such a difficult year of Covid lockdowns and restrictions. Additional details will be shared with 2021-22 P4 parents before the end of term.

Classroom teachers for 2021-22


HIU 1	Miss Christie	HIU 2	Mrs Pearson
P1	Miss McKendry	P5	Mr Higginson
P2	Mrs Lyons	P6	Mr Irwin
P3	Miss Shaw	P7	Mr Larmour
P4	Mrs Standley & Mrs Butt		

- 4. New P1s (August/September 2021) 'Stay & Play' Afternoon & Parents Induction** – Miss McKendry will be welcoming pre-schoolers to her P1 classroom on Monday 14th June (afternoon). Letters with full details about this were sent home on Friday 28th May with. As the children stay and play in the P1 classroom, their parents will meet Miss McKendry in the school's assembly hall for a short talk in which some very important information will be shared. Social distancing rules will be observed. If any parents still have to return reply slips to school office could they please do so (you need to let us know if you are coming or not). Thanks.
- 5. Sports Days 2021** – This year, only parents &/or grandparents (maximum of 2 per child) of children involved will be able to attend but will be expected to observe social distancing and/or wear a mask. P5, P6 & P7 Sports Day: Monday 21st June; P1 & P2 Sports Day: Tuesday 22nd June; P3 & P4 Sports Day Wednesday 23rd June. Exact times and details will be sent home closer to the time. All events will take place before lunchtime. There will be parents' races! School will be running a stall selling tea/coffee & a biscuit for £1: please support this ☺
- 6. P7 Prize Day** – we intend to hold an in-person Prize Day for our oldest pupils on Thursday 24th June at 10am. Here are the main arrangements:
 - ✓ Maximum of 2 adult guests per P7 pupil (no babies, toddlers or siblings younger than 18)
 - ✓ Following advice from the Education Authority it is increasingly likely this will be held outdoors.
 - ✓ From this year onwards, trophy winners will be given an engraved trophy to keep forever in addition to having their name engraved on the school's trophy (which will now remain in school)

- ✓ Refreshments will be provided for P7 pupils and their guests after the awards' ceremony ends at approximately 11:30am
- ✓ P7s will go home with parent(s)/guests after refreshments; around 12 noon. Friday 25th is P7's last day; finishing at normal 2pm time.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Monday 14th June – new **P1** 'Stay & Play' visit & parents' induction
- Monday 14th June – **P7** 'Week of Fun' begins
- Monday 21, Tuesday & Wednesday 23rd June – last week of **2-to-3 Waiting Club**
- Thursday 24th June – date of **P7 Final Assembly & Prize Day** (restrictions permitting)
- Friday 25th June – **P7's** last day at Cregagh Primary School
- Wednesday 30th June – uniform-free day. School closes at 12noon. No dinners or packed lunches.
- **2021-22 school year commences:** Friday 27 August 2021 (children return to school) – 12 noon finish all pupils.

 <p>CREGAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL</p> <p>School Holiday List for Pupils 2021-22</p>			26.05.21
AUTUMN TERM (2021)	SPRING TERM (2022)	SUMMER TERM (2022)	
New term commences: Friday 27 August (children return to school) – 12 noon finish all pupils	New term commences: Thursday 6 January 2022 (children return to school)	New term commences: Monday 25 April (children return to school)	
Monday 30 August – Bank Holiday . School closed.	Half-Term Holiday: Monday 14 February to Friday 18 February (5 school days)	Early May Bank Holiday: Monday 2 May (1 school day)	
Tuesday 31 August – 12 noon finish all pupils	St. Patrick's Day: Thursday 17 March (this has been made a mandatory closure day for 2022)	Spring Bank Holiday: Thursday 2 June (1 school day)	
Wednesday 1 September - first full school day	Spring Term ends: Friday 8 April - 12 noon finish all pupils	Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday: Friday 3 June (1 school day)	
Hallowe'en Holiday: Monday 25 October – Friday 29 October (5 school days)	Easter Holiday: Monday 11 April – Friday 22 April (10 school days)	Summer Term Ends: Thursday 30 June – 12 noon finish all pupils	
Autumn Term ends: Wednesday 22 December - 12 noon finish all pupils			
Christmas Holiday: Thursday 23 December – Wednesday 5 January 2022 (10 school days)			

NOTES

- These school holidays may be subject to change due to factors outside of school's control – such as future Covid-related closures or DE directives.
- This 2021-22 holiday list is also available on our school website. It has also been emailed to all parents who have provided school with their email address.
- One additional school closure day (School Development Day) has yet to be added to the calendar above.**

CPS/PupilSchool Holidays/2021-22

