



# The Wee Friday Note

## Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022



*"You can cut all the flowers but you cannot keep Spring from coming." — Pablo Neruda*

### 1. AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS & TWO-TO-THREE WAITING CLUB

- We look forward to restarting our after-school clubs next week. Information has already gone home about Two-to-Three Club recommencing on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March about how parents can register and book places using our schools online booking system, *SchoolMoney*.
- A range of after-school clubs will start next week. The clubs are for P4 to P7 pupils and are not compulsory; they are designed to engage and develop children's interests. We want the children who attend to want to be there, so they should not be seen or used as "childcare". The most popular clubs may have to have maximum number restrictions, in which case some children may have to wait until after Easter to attend that particular club but everyone should get their turn. Just like the normal school day, we expect the same high standards of good behaviour from all children attending after-school clubs: it is still part of school ☺
- Parents are responsible for making sure they know on which days their children are going to clubs and children should be clear on how they are expected to travel home: collected by a known adult or walk home alone (school has to have been given permission for this to happen).

DAY	CLUB	TEACHER-IN-CHARGE	
Monday	Choir	Mrs Lyons & Miss Shaw	All
	Transfer Preparation	Mr Irwin	P6 only
Tuesday	Dance-Fit	Mrs McKee	All
	"Deaf Club"	Miss Christie	HIU children
Wednesday	Football	Mr Higginson	All unless a match day
Thursday	Craft Club	Miss McKendry	All
	ICT Club	Mr Larmour	All
	Hockey Club	Miss Shaw	All

### 2. World Book Day: Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022

Thanks for supporting World Book Day in Cregagh Primary School. Lots of the children and staff dressed up and everyone had a great day: full of stories, poetry and literary fun. All proceeds will be used to buy new books for each class to use and enjoy.

### 3. COVID & Illness Update

- This week we have seen several children off school or sent home from school due to vomiting and diarrhoea. Two other local primary schools are also reporting similar experiences. When a child has a bout of vomiting and diarrhoea, even if only one episode, the Department of Education & PHA direct that they must stay off for 48 hours (2 days following their last episode). So, sick on Tuesday; back to school on Friday).
- We still have quite a few pupils off with Covid, so it hasn't disappeared. Until we are totally out-of-the-woods, please stay vigilant, test children when necessary & keep children off when necessary. Remember that we continue to keep our classrooms well ventilated to help combat Covid infection. Please make sure your children wear enough layers of clothing to school to keep them warm.

### 4. FRIENDS OF CREGAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

A link to an online register your interest has been shared. It simply asks if you would be interested in being part of a school PTA / Friends of Cregagh Primary School Association. Please respond as soon as you can.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	St. Patrick's Day. School closed
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	School holiday (1 school day)
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Parent-Teacher Interview Week
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Spring Term ends. School closes at 12 noon
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> April to Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Easter holiday (10 school days)
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Summer term begins
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Early May Bank holiday (school closed)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Sports Day (Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> June is reserve date in case of bad weather)
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Spring Bank holiday (school closed)
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Platinum Jubilee Bank holiday (school closed)