



# The Wee Friday Note

## Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023



**“You will never have this day again so make it count”**

### 1. Parent-Teacher Interviews – October 2023

Finding out how your child is getting on at school (and how they might be able to do even better) is very important. Cregagh Primary School organises 3 separate occasions each year on which parents can meet and chat with their children's teachers:

- 🕒 Meet the Teacher (start of each new school year)
- 🕒 October Parent-Teacher Interviews
- 🕒 Easter time Parent-Teacher Interviews

Parent-Teacher Interviews will take place from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October. School will finish at 1pm every day that week to allow staff to prepare for meeting with parents. Teachers will be in touch nearer the time to arrange appointment times.

2. No dogs on school grounds or near school's gates, please! Thank you.

3. Please do not smoke or vape at the school gates / fence. Thank you.

### 4. Please be careful with 'language' while on school grounds or at the school gates

Recently, I have had to ask parents to not swear while dropping children off, walking across playgrounds, waiting at school gates. While I'm all for free speech, we do not want our children hearing certain words or parts of 'adult' conversation. If they do, we can expect them to use them too! So please keep a watch over what is said when close to school. Once something is heard, it can't be un-heard ☹️ Thank you.

### 5. Children cycling to school

- ✓ If you allow your child to cycle or scoot to school, please make sure they wear a helmet – even if they protest and say they don't want too. It's for safety, after all!
- ✓ Also, please remind your child that once they arrive at the school gates, they are to dismount and push their bikes and scooters down the school paths, across the playground and over to where they are stored.

6. **Healthy breaks, no nuts & water only** – please remember!

### 7. School Fund

Without school fund contributions the boys and girls would miss out on a lot of 'nice' things. School Fund remains at £20 *per family* per school year.

This can be paid through our online payment system School Money in either one or several instalments. Speak to Miss Murphy our school secretary (90 401246) if you need help doing this.

### 8. Two-to-Three Waiting Club (P1-P3 only)

- ✓ This is a paid-for-service aimed at helping parents who have children\* in **both** P1-3 and P4-7 (\*own children: not nephews, nieces, family friends etc.)
- ✓ Places must be pre-booked & paid online. Speak to Miss Murphy our school secretary (90 401246) if you need help doing this.
- ✓ Cost per day is £2.50 (same as in 2022/23)

## 9. Breakfast Club

- ✓ Breakfast Club now costs £2 per child per day (this is still less than it costs school to operate Breakfast Club)
- ✓ Doors open at 8:15am.
- ✓ Children coming to Breakfast Club should not arrive at school earlier than 8:15am as they will not be supervised & this is potentially unsafe (stranger danger / accidents).

### \*\*\* IMPORTANT FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY / CALENDAR \*\*\*

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>  
to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October

#### Parent-Teacher Interviews

School will finish at 1pm every day this week  
School dinners as normal

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October  
to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

#### Half-Term Holidays

(5 school days)

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November

#### School Development Day 1

School closed to all pupils

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November

#### SEAG Paper One

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November

#### Odd Socks Day (Anti-Bullying Week)

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

#### Family Bingo! (PSA event)

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November

#### SEAG Paper 2

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

#### Christmas Market (PSA event)

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December

#### P1-P3 Nativity

Mount Merrion Parish Church

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December

#### P4-P7 Carol Service

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

#### Pantomime trip for P4-P7

Waterfront Hall, Belfast

#### Class parties with Aldo the Magician & Disco

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

#### Last day of term – 12 noon finish

