

COAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL



February 2019 Newsletter

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Diary Dates

P6/7 Emotions in Motion- Friday 1st, 8th and 15th February

Piping and Drumming Tuition- Continues every Friday morning

Library Van- Monday 4th February and 4th March

PSNI Visit- Monday 4th February

P4 and P7 Swimming Lessons- Continues every Tuesday morning

P5-P7 Tag Rugby Coaching- Continues Wednesday 6th and 13th February

Piano Tuition- Continues every Thursday

Violin Tuition- Continues every Thursday

Scripture Union Club- Thursday 7th February 3-4pm (P4-P7)

Scholastic Book Fair- Thursday 7th February – Wednesday 13th February

Shared Education Project P5-P7- Continues each Monday morning from 11th February

PE with Gareth Porter- P1, P2 and P3 each Tuesday from 12th February - Easter

Horrible History Club- Thursday 14th February 3-4pm (P4-P7)

Valentines Disco- Thursday 14th February 6.30pm – 8.45pm

Half Term Holidays- Monday 18th February – Friday 22nd February

Football Club- Monday 25th February P2/3 (2-3pm) P5-P7 (3-4pm)

Inter School Swimming Gala- Tuesday 26th February

Dance Club- Tuesday 26th February 3-4pm (P4-P7 with Mrs. Glasgow)

Multi Sports Club- Wednesday 27th February 3-4pm (P5-P7 with Andrew Elliott)

P3/4 Inspire Workshop- Wednesday 27th February 11am -12noon and Parents session 12.30-1.30pm

Eco Committee- Thursday 28th February 3-4pm (Committee members)

Tri County Hockey Tournament- Friday 1st March

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Snack P1-P4

P4 Pupils will no longer receive a snack on Tuesdays as they will be swimming so P4 pupils should reduce their weekly payment by 60p to reflect this.

Emotions in Motion

Padraic Devlin from 'Calmer Shores' has started a 4 week programme with the P6/7 class to explore and deal with issues such as increasing resilience and confidence. On Friday 8th March all P6/7 parents are invited into school from 1.45pm-2.45pm when Padraic will hold a parent's workshop explaining how his work can be developed at home.

Coats

We encourage all pupils to bring a coat to school as the weather is not always predictable in Coagh! (Please ensure that they are labelled with your child's name)

Early Bird, Fun Club and Homework Club

Early Bird Club, Fun Club and Homework Club will take place in the hall. On dry mornings, Early Bird Club will be outside. If you are using this club, please bring your child into school and leave them with Libby, either in the hall or outside. All schoolbags and coats should be left in the cloakrooms. **Please do not drop children off before 8.30am.**

Early Bird Club 8.30 – 8.50 am

50p per morning/child

Fun Club P1-P3, 1.45-3.00 pm

£1 per day/child

Children who do not use the Early Bird Club should come to school **no earlier than 8.50am** for school starting at 9.00am.

Homework Club is available daily from 3pm – 5.30pm. Cost is £3 per hour or £7 from 3pm - 5.30pm.

School website

Our school website at www.coaghprimaryschool.com continues to be the main point of information for parents.

An App is available to download from the school website to your smartphone which will notify you when new content has been added to the website etc.

If you have no access to the internet at home, please inform us in school so paper copies can be sent to you.

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Allergy Awareness School

As an allergy awareness school we take all reasonable steps to ensure the safety of our pupils. With this in mind please remember our school is a nut free zone. Please do not send any products containing nuts. We would also ask you not to send strawberries to school as a pupil is undergoing tests for a strawberry allergy.

Charity Appeal



The School Council decided to change the way we collected money for our Annual Charity Appeal. They thought the Appeal should take place during the Christmas Concert to link with the theme of 'Giving at Christmas'. The School Council decided that 'Northern Ireland Cancer Fund for Children'

should be our charity for 2018/19. Thanks to the generosity of those attending the Christmas Concerts an amazing £563.50

was raised! Brilliant effort!

Rebecca Oates from Northern Ireland Cancer Fund for Children was presented with the cheque by members of the School Council.



Piping and Drumming

Piping and Drumming tuition will continue each Friday with Geoff Hamilton and Lowry Ferguson during Term 2.

Library Van

The library van will be in school on Monday 4th February and then not again until Monday 4th March due to Half Term Holidays.

PSNI Talk

The PSNI will be in school on Monday 4th February. They will be giving a presentation to P1/P2 on Road Safety, P3/P4's topic will be Stranger Danger while P5-P7 will discuss Internet Safety.

School Meals

The cost of school dinners remains at £2.60 per day. This means that it will cost £13.00 per week.

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P4 and P7 Swimming

Swimming lessons continue on Tuesday, 5th and 12th February for P4 and P7. There will be no swimming lessons on Tuesday 26th February due to an Inter Schools Swimming Gala at Leisure Centre.

P5-P7 Tag Rugby

Tag Rugby with David McClelland has proved popular with the P5-P7 pupils during their PE lessons on Wednesdays. This coaching will continue until Half Term Holidays.

Mr Savage- Violin Tuition

Mr Faulkner will be in school on Thursday mornings during term 2 for Violin tuition.

Scripture Union

Scripture Union for children from P4-P7 continues on Thursday, 7th February 3-4pm. Scripture Union will be led by Mrs. Michael and will be held the first Thursday of every month.

Mrs Walker- Piano Tuition

Shirley Walker will continue to provide Piano Tuition on Thursdays.

Coagh Angling Club

We welcomed John Hagan to an Assembly in January. He presented the school with a cheque for £200. Coagh Angling Club raised this money at a fundraising event during the Autumn Term. It is hoped that this money will go towards refurbishing the school community garden. Thank you to everyone involved for their donation. John is pictured with members of the Eco Committee.



Scholastic Book Fair

Scholastic Book Fair will be available in School at 1.45pm and 3pm on Thursday 7th, Friday 8th, Monday 11th, Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th February in the Resource Area outside the

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P1/2 Classroom. World Book Day vouchers can be redeemed against books costing £2.99 or more at the Book Fair.

Shared Education

Pupils in P5, P6 and P7 have started their Shared Education Programme with Ballylifford Primary School. This year the P5 pupils are focusing on the topic of 'Water' for their World Around Us Work and Coding for ICT. P6/7 are looking at 'Fair Trade' during their World Around Us lessons and Programming during ICT with Miss Brooks. The pupils have really enjoyed their first few sessions of this project.



'Horrible Histories' Club

Horrible Histories after school club continues on Thursday 14th February 3-4pm for children from P4-P7. It will be led by Mrs. Wilson and will be held generally on the second Thursday of every month.

Valentines Disco

The Parents Association have organised a Valentines Disco for the P1-P7 pupils on Thursday 14th February. P1-P4 pupils should attend from 6.30pm – 7.30pm while P5 – P7 should come at 7.35pm – 8.45pm. Admission is £2 per pupil. A tuck shop is available (Max spend per child £2). Pupils are encouraged to wear something 'Red' for Valentines!

Half Term Holidays

School will close for Half Term Holidays on Friday, 15th February at 3pm for all children (Homework Club will be available until 5.30pm). School will be closed Monday 18th February – Friday 22nd February and will reopen on Monday 25th February.

Dance Club

Mrs Glasgow is running a Dance Club for pupils P4-P7 beginning on Tuesday 26th February. This will run for 6 weeks from 3-4pm. Pupils should bring trainers, leggings/Tracksuit bottoms to change into at 3pm. Consent forms should be returned ASAP.

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Multi Sports Club

Andrew Elliott will be in school for 6 weeks beginning on Wednesday 27th February 3-4pm. He will be doing a variety of different sports during the 6 weeks. Cost for the 6 weeks is £6 and should be sent in with your child's completed consent form.

Football Club

Jake Crooks who is currently assisting Coagh United in their youth programme on a Wednesday evening will be in school for 10 weeks to take a P2/3 and a P5-P7 football club alongside our classroom assistants. This club will run 2pm-3pm for P2/3 and 3pm-4pm for P5-P7 on the following dates: Monday 25th February, 4th March, 11th March, 25th March, 1st April, 8th April, 29th April, 13th May, 20th May and 3rd June. Consent forms should be returned ASAP as the number for each session is limited to 20 pupils.

Eco Schools Club

Eco Schools will meet on Thursday 28th February. It will be led by Miss Brooks and will be held generally on the third Thursday of every month from 3-4pm.

Tri County Hockey Tournament

Coagh Primary School will be entering two girls and two boys teams into the Tri County Hockey Tournament to be held at Cookstown High School on Friday 1st March.

Tennis Club

The feedback from the expression of interest forms has been very positive and Andrew McKeeman (Tennis Coach) will be in school in March to give pupils a 'Taster' session before the after school club begins in April.



Mr I. Bayne

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