# **COAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL**



# **April 2019 Newsletter**

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# **Diary Dates**

Library Van- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April and 29<sup>th</sup> April Football Club- Monday 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> April P2/3 (2-3pm) P5-P7 (3-4pm) Shared Education Project P5-P7- Continues each Monday morning P4 and P7 Swimming Lessons- Finish with 'Fun Day' on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April P5 and P6 Swimming Lessons- Begin on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April PE with Gareth Porter- Final Session with P1-P4 on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April Dance Club- Final Session is Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April Scripture Union Club- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April 3-4pm (P4-P7) **Piano Tuition-** Continues every Thursday Violin Tuition- Continues every Thursday Piping Tuition- Continues on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> April Drumming Tuition- Not on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> April. Begins again on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May Ulster Hockey 'Pearson Cup' Tournament- Monday 8th April Eco Committee 'Garden Corner' Visit- Monday 8th April Cancer Focus NI Visit- Tuesday 9th April (P1-P7) 'Boot Camp'- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April Horrible History Club- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April 3-4pm (P4-P7) Eco Committee- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April 3-4pm (Committee members) **Translink Challenge-** Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April (P1-P7) Non Uniform Day- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April Early Closing- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April at 12 noon (Whole School) Easter Holidays- Close at 12 noon on Fri 12<sup>th</sup> April and open on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April **P7 Cycling Proficiency**- Begins Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April (Notes have been sent home) Parents Association Meeting- Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April at 8pm in School W5 Trip for P5-P7 (Shared Education)- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May School Closure (Local Elections)- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May School Closure (Bank Holiday)- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May



#### Library Van

The library van will be in school on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April and then not again until Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April due to the Easter Holidays.

# Football Club

Jake Crooks will continue to lead the afterschool football club on the following dates: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April, 8<sup>th</sup> April, 29<sup>th</sup> April, 13<sup>th</sup> May, 20<sup>th</sup> May and 3<sup>rd</sup> June. This club will run 2pm-3pm for P2/3 and 3pm-4pm for P5-P7.

# Dance Club

Mrs Glasgow's Dance Club will finish on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April after a very successful 6 weeks.

# Swimming

Swimming lessons for P4 and P7 will finish on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April with a 'Fun Day'. Pupils in P5 and P6 will begin their 9 sessions on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April. Consent forms have been sent home with the P5 and P6 pupils.

# PE with Gareth Porter

Gareth's work with P1-P3 will finish on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. It is hoped that he will return to school after Easter but as yet there is no final decision by the IFA and EA about funding which will facilitate continued coaching in schools.

#### **Scripture Union**

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

# Mr Savage- Violin Tuition

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

# Mrs Walker- Piano Tuition

Shirley Walker will continue to provide Piano Tuition on Thursdays.

# **Piping and Drumming**

Piping tuition will continue on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> April while Drumming tuition has finished until after Easter. Piping and Drumming tuition will continue each Friday with Geoff Hamilton and Lowry Ferguson during Term 3 after Easter.

# Northern Ireland Regional Qualifying Hockey Tournament

Coagh Primary School Boys Hockey Team have progressed to the Ulster Finals of the 'Pearson Cup' to be held in Belfast on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April. Over 200 schools entered the qualifying stages



of the 'Pearson Cup' and Coagh will be one of only 24 schools to have made it to the finals day.

#### Cash 4 Clobber

The Eco Committee organised for a Cash 4 Cobber collection to raise money for the community garden. A fantastic £330 was raised. The Eco Committee will use this money on their visit to the 'Garden Corner' on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April.

#### **Boot Camp**

The 'Parents Association' have organised for Richard McCrea to hold a 'Boot Camp' for all classes on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April. Pupils will be sponsored to participate in the event and all money will go to school fundraising by the 'Parents Association'.

#### **'Horrible Histories' Club**

Horrible Histories after school club continues on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April 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.

# **Eco Schools Club**

Eco Schools will meet on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April. It will be led by Miss Brooks and will be held generally on the third Thursday of every month from 3-4pm.

#### **Easter Holidays**

School will close on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April at 12noon. Pupils will return to school on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April at 9am.

#### Non Uniform Day

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April will be a non-uniform day in school. No donation is required.

#### **P7 Cycling Proficiency**

The cycling proficiency lessons for P7 pupils will begin on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 1-3pm with Mrs Glasgow and Miss Brooks. Further details have been given to the P7 pupils.

#### **Parents Association**

The next meeting of the 'Parents Association' will take place at 8pm on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April in School.

#### W5 Trip

The pupils from P5-P7 will go to W5 in Belfast on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May with their friends from Ballylifford Primary School. This will be the final session of another successful 'Shared Education' project this year.



**Local Elections-** School will be closed on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May as it will be used as a polling station for local elections.

#### 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 Fun Club P1-P3, 1.45-3.00 pm 50p per morning/child £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 <u>www.coaghprimaryschool.com</u>. 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.

#### **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.

#### **Strawberry Allergy**

We thank you for your cooperation in not sending Strawberries while a pupil was undergoing tests this year. These have provided information now that the pupil is not allergic to Strawberries so you are welcome to send them to school with your child.



# **School Meals**

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



