



Wednesday 25th August 2021

On behalf of the Governors and Staff of Tildarg Primary School, may I formally welcome back all our pupils to our new school year. In particular, may I welcome our new pupils and their families into our school. It's wonderful to see the pupils looking so well, so refreshed and looking very smart in our school Uniform. We would request that **all items** of clothing and equipment brought to school are clearly labelled, and that only essential items are brought.

This is our first official Newsletter of the new year, so do please read it carefully and keep it to hand over the coming weeks as a useful reminder of dates and details.

SCHOOL TIMES: (Commencing Wednesday 1st September 2021) -

- Drop off P1-P7 8.45-9am
- Collection P1-P2 & for P3 on Mon., Wed. & Friday - 2.00pm
- P4-P7 & for P3 on Tues. & Thurs. - 3.00pm

Children not attending Breakfast Club MUST NOT be on the school premises before 8.45am as there will be no playground supervision before this time!

The main entrance is to be used as normal. The playground gate will be relocked at 9am each day. If you need to arrive later, e.g. due to an appointment, please drop your child off at the 'Front Gate' of the school and phone into school to make us aware you have arrived. Please then send your child to the 'Front Door' and a staff member will greet them.

To save embarrassment and interruption to lessons, please make sure your children are punctual.

Please note: Tildarg Lane must be kept free of traffic at all times.

SCHOOL CLOSED MONDAY 30th AUGUST 2021 - BANK HOLIDAY.

SCHOOL CLOSED FRIDAY 1st OCTOBER 2021 - STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY.

FROM WEDNESDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 2021

School Dinners and Taxi details as follows:

Dinners - **£2.60 per day**, Dinner money for the week should be brought on a **Monday** morning, payment by cheque only, made payable to Education Authority NER

Taxi - Transport begins Wednesday 1st September.
Pupils will be collected at the 'front of the school'.

BREAKFAST CLUB:

Breakfast Club will commence on Monday 6th September. (£2 per day).

AFTER SCHOOLS AND MOTHERS' AND TODDLERS':

We are aiming to start both of the above and details will follow when AccessNI checks are complete and procedures are in place.

PARENT/TEACHER ASSOCIATION - A.G.M.:

Tuesday 21st September, 2021 at 7.30pm. We have a very hard-working, supportive PTA who would be delighted to welcome new members, so please come and join in.

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MUSIC LESSONS:

Music lessons will resume in school this Term. If you have not already confirmed your child's interest, please do so as soon as possible

AQE REGISTRATION: Closing date Friday 24th September 2021.

IMPORTANT FORMS:

A number of 'Important Forms' will be sent out next week to be completed (in black ink) and returned to your child's class teacher.

CONTACTING SCHOOL:

To reduce interruption to teaching, please try to contact school within the following times:

8.30-8.50am and 3.00-4.00pm, except in an emergency.

Outside these times, please leave your name, number, time and date with your short message, and your query will be dealt with as soon as possible.

ABSENCE NOTES:

When a child is absent, each teacher must fill in a code on our computer system to explain the reason for the absence. This information is entered daily, so after each absence, please fill in the absence slip and send it into the class teacher.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS/TRANSPORT:

If you think you may be entitled to these, please contact the Education Authority North Eastern Region., as soon as possible.

- Even if your child DOES NOT always eat school dinners, the **school budget benefits immensely** from each successful application awarded by the Board.

END OF SCHOOL DAY:

I would ask that when children leave school they remain with an adult at all times for their safety, adhere to social distancing and avoid mixing with other family groups.

Thank you for your help and support in all the above matters. I hope you managed to have a pleasant, Summer holiday and that you will all continue to stay safe and well in these difficult times.

Stephen Harrison

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(Acting Principal)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **AQE Registration Closes**
24/09/21 (Fri)
- **PTA AGM**
Tuesday 21st Sept
At 7.30pm.
- **STAFF Development Day**
Friday 1st Oct.

EMINDERS

- Data Collection and Permission forms to be returned to school as soon as possible
- Follow us on Twitter
[@TildargPrimary](https://twitter.com/TildargPrimary)
- Check out our school website
www.tildargps.co.uk
- Follow us using the **Schools NI App**
- Follow our PTA on Facebook : **Tildarg Primary School PTA**

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