



Wednesday 12th December 2018

NATIVITY / MUSICAL ITEMS - FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER:

Ballyclare Town Hall - Friday 14th December 2018 commencing at 10.30am. Children to be dropped off at 10am at the Town Hall - tea and coffee will be served from 10am. We would greatly appreciate your support by giving generously during our collection at this event. Money raised will go to school funds, which are used to help us continue to be able to meet the needs of the pupils at our school and to grow and expand.

Children to go home straight after performance, which will end between 11.30am and 12noon.

HOLIDAYS:

Last day - Friday 21st December: School will finish at **12 NOON** (before lunch).

No Uniform is required on this day.

Christmas holidays: Monday 24th December to Thursday 3rd January.

Term 2 will commence for pupils on **Monday 7th January** as there will be a staff training day on Friday 4th January.

SHINING LIGHTS:

P1/2 will commence their football sessions, run by Stephen, on Monday 7th January. Please ensure all P1/2 pupils have their P.E items in school for this.

CALENDARS:

We are taking orders for our **School Calendar** priced at **£5**. Please send in orders, with payment, to your child's class teacher. We would appreciate your support in purchasing these and we thank Rachel Davis for kindly taking the photographs and getting these printed.

SCHOOL WEBSITE:

We are looking for sponsors to help cover the cost of our new website. If you or someone you know has a business, and would like your logo put on the home page of our website, please get in contact with myself via email (kdickson628@c2kni.net) or phone (02893 323948). When clicked, the logo will take website visitors directly to that business' website. In exchange we would ask for a minimum fee of **£50 a year**. Your support in this would greatly help our school.

UPDATES:

We would ask that all parents visit our NEW school website (www.tildargps.co.uk) and download our school calendar, which will link in with your calendar on your mobile devices.

We would also ask that you download the 'Schools NI' App. By doing so you will get updates / reminders when events are coming up, if school times change, and when we will be closing etc.

We also aim to keep our website up to date with letters, documents and News Sheets available to download, should you misplace your copy.

Updates will still be given via twitter when possible - please follow [@TildargPrimary](https://twitter.com/TildargPrimary).

A lot of work has been put into this to ensure parents are kept well informed. We hope this is helpful to our families.

TILDARG PRIMARY SCHOOL

P1/2 TEACHER:

As I'm sure you are already aware, Mrs McClay will be going on maternity leave. Her last day will be on Friday 14th December. Miss E. McCullough will cover P1/2 during Mrs McClay's maternity leave. As Miss McCullough will be taking P1/2, Mr C. McKendry will cover my principal release. We wish Mrs McClay all the very best and hope both her and baby do well.

P1 ADMISSIONS:

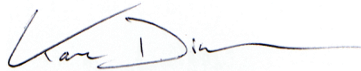
Online applications have been introduced for admission to Primary 1 in to 2019/2020 school year. The primary application procedure opens on Wednesday 2nd January 2019 and closes at 12 midnight on Thursday 31st January 2019. Should you choose Tildarg as your 1st preference school, the Governors would be grateful if you could return your child's Birth Certificate and any supporting documentation to the address above no later than 12.00 noon on Friday 8th February. Information is available on the EA website under the Admissions section (<https://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions>); via the admissions helpdesk on **028 9598 5595**; or via our school website. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me

CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON & FAIR:

A huge thank you to all who came to our Christmas light switch on and fair, it was a wonderful evening of fun, which raised £703 for school. Thank you to Louise Milliken and Elizabeth McDermott for taking on the responsibility of organising this event and to all the PTA and their family members who helped make the night such a success.

REMINDERS:

- ⇒ **CHRISTMAS DRESS UP DAY - THURSDAY 20TH DECEMBER:** Children can come to school wearing a Christmas jumper or Christmas costume on Thursday 20th December. Suggested donation £2 for school funds.
- ⇒ **PEACE PROMS:** Tickets are now on sale from the SSE Arena in Belfast. Our school will be taking part in this on Sunday 24th February and will be sitting on the south side.
- ⇒ **AFTER SCHOOL SCRIPTURE UNION CLUB:** This club will commence on Monday 14th January. If you would like your child's name to be put down for this club please let me know. (P1-P3 from 2-2.45pm / P4-P7 from 3-3.45pm.). We look forward to this new club starting.
- ⇒ **ACCESS NI:** Reminder that all volunteers who will be with children in an unsupervised role, e.g. drivers for hockey and football, must apply for Access NI Clearance. Information available on our website.



K. Dickson
(Principal)

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND BEST WISHES FOR 2019, FROM ALL AT TILDARG PRIMARY

Term 2 will begin on **Monday 7th January 2019.**

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

- **Nativity—Town Hall**
@10.30 am 14/12/18 (Fri)
- **Christmas Dress Up Day**
20/12/18 (Thur)
£2 Donation
- **Last Day**
21/12/18 (Fri)
Ending @ **12 Noon**
- **Christmas Holidays**
24/12/18 (Mon) to
03/01/19 (Thur)
Plus
(Staff Training Day
04/01/19 (Fri))
- **Term 2 Starts**
07/01/19 (Mon)
- **P1/2 Shining Lights**
07/01/19 (Mon)

REMINDERS

- Follow us on Twitter for updates:
@TildargPrimary
- Updates and further information available on our school website
www.tildargps.co.uk
and via **Schools NI App**



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