



Wednesday 10th April 2019

GREENHILL YMCA — P6/7 RESIDENTIAL (1st-3rd OF MAY):

All consent forms, including AM2 medical forms (for anyone requiring medication of any kind while away) should already be returned. If you have not done so please return this tomorrow at the latest. No medication can be given without an AM2 form.

Please note: Children will also need a torch with them for our evening walk to Newcastle.

SPELLING BEE :

The 'Eason's Spelling Bee' is being held in Templepatrick Primary on Tuesday 7th May at 11am. Good luck to Hannah Milliken who, after class heats, will be representing Tildarg.

AQE APPLICATIONS:

The opening day for applications for the 2019/20 cycle is Wednesday 1st May 2019; the closing date will be 6th September 2019. The dates for the Assessments will be Saturday 9th November 2019, Saturday 23rd November 2019 and Saturday 30th November 2019.

The results will be delivered on Saturday 25th January 2020.

CRICKET COACHING:

Cricket coaching will take place in school on a Wednesday from 1-2pm for P5/6 pupils. There is a cost for this coaching so we would ask pupils to give £1 towards the cost of each coaching sessions. There will be 6 sessions in total, resulting in a cost of £6 per pupil. We would appreciate your financial support for this activity.

SCHOOL SUMMER PRODUCTION - Sherlock and Cinders:

This year we are doing a Summer production called 'Sherlock and Cinders'. This will take place on Monday 24th June in Ballyclare Secondary School. Should you be aware, for any reason, that your child will not be able to attend on this date, please let us know tomorrow to help with assigning parts. More details to follow.

P7 generally finish earlier than the rest of the school, as a treat. Their last day is yet to be confirmed, but may be Tuesday 25th (12noon). This will be confirmed at a later date.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

EASTER BREAKFAST MORNING to be held in the school hall on Friday 12th April, supported by LIDL. This will run from 10am - 12 noon, costing £5 per adult and £2 per toddler. Pancakes, waffles etc. and a selection of toppings, along with Tea/coffee and juice, will be served. Proceeds will be split between PTA funds and CAMHS (a charity linked to mental health).

School classes as normal, but children will go home at **12 noon**, for the end of term. Why not come along to join us before you pick up your children. Please invite all your family and friends.

EASTER BREAK

- ♦ Last day of term **Friday 12th April - NON-UNIFORM DAY - Donation £1** (for school funds). School will **end at 12 noon**, before lunch.
 - ♦ Staff training day—Monday 15th April, pupils do not need to attend.
 - ♦ Easter Break—Tuesday 16th April—Friday 26th April, inclusive.
- ♦ Term 3 (Summer Term) will begin on **Monday 29th April**
(School POLO-SHIRTS can now be worn instead of a shirt and tie, available from Sports & Sound)

TILDARG PRIMARY SCHOOL

ADVANCED NOTICE:

School will be closed on the following dates:

- * Monday 6th May (Bank Holiday)
- * Monday 27th May (Bank Holiday)
- * Tuesday 28th May (Staff Training - Pupils do not need to attend)

Sports day will be on Tuesday 21st May (weather permitting)

EXEMPLAR EDUCATION:

A company called 'Exemplar Education', previously known as 'Student Support', have requested that we distribute forms to every pupil in our school. This company offer parents support for their children's learning in English and Maths. The school does not directly endorse this product, or company, and we are aware that it is quite a costly support programme. However, for simply distributing their forms we will receive 15 **FREE accounts** to access to this online programme, for use in school. If we get over 30% of the forms back, **regardless of your response** (even if all responses have ticked the NO box) we will get twice the amount of free accounts.

Forms will be distributed on Monday 29th April, after Easter break, and should be returned by **Friday 3rd May**. Thank you for support. Please return **one form per child** to help our school reach the 30% target.

REMINDERS:

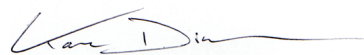
- ⇒ **SCHOOL FUND:** There are still a few school fund payments due. We would greatly appreciate it if remaining school fund money could be returned at your earliest convenience. Thank you.
- ⇒ **WEBSITE SPONSORS NEEDED:** We have a few sponsors now for our website but would still like at least another two. If you or someone you know have a business, and would like their logo put on the home page of our website, please get in contact with school via phone (02893 323948) or email (info@tildargps.ballyclare.ni.sch.uk) - Minimum fee of £50 a year.
- ⇒ **ACCESS NI:** Reminder—If you have offered to help in an unsupervised role you **must** apply for Access NI Clearance. There is step by step guidance on how to do this on our school website under, [Parents—Documents/Correspondence—Useful documents](#).

I have been asked to forward this information:

Logwood Plant Centre LTD in Ballyclare are holding a few family fun days and also an Easter colouring competition. There are vouchers to be won and also Easter eggs as prizes. Please see their website for more details (www.logwoodplantcentre.co.uk), and some information is also on our school website.

Breckenhill is holding one of their popular Activity Open Days on Tuesday 16th April, during the Easter holidays. A great way to have the kids entertained for a day, with a range of exciting activities, it also offers a chance to make new friends, and spend a day in the fresh air. Morning, afternoon or full day options, either £15 or £25, bring a packed lunch and wellies! Booking essential.

Family Support NI have launched a new, improved, brighter and better website which you can view now at www.familysupportni.gov.uk. Information on the website may be useful to young people, parents and front line staff. For more information contact info@familysupportni.gov.uk or Tel 0845 600 6483.



Mrs K. S. Dickson
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY / REMINDERS

- **P7 Cycling club**
Check website for dates
- **Easter Breakfast Morning** 10-12noon
12/04/19 (Fri)
- **Easter Break**
15/04/19 (Mon) Staff Training Day
16/04/19—26/04/19
- **Term 3 (Summer Term) begins**
29/04/19 (Mon)
- **School Closures**
06/05/19 (Mon)
27/05/19 (Mon)
28/05/19 (Tues)
- **Sports Day**
21/05/19 (Tues)
- **Sherlock & Cinders**
24/06/19 (Mon)

FOR UPDATES:

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- Check out our school website
www.tildargps.co.uk
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Schools NI App
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