

Wednesday 11th September 2019

SHINE A LIGHT P.1-P.7 BOYS & GIRLS:

Football sessions organised by Stephen Blair, will take place on **Monday's**. Children should come to school in their PE kit and bring their uniform to change into. Each class will have roughly five 30 minute sessions between 9.30 and 10.30am. P6 & 7 will be the first classes to avail of this coaching, commencing Monday 16^{th} September. The starting dates for the rest of the classes are as follows:

P3-4 4thNov / P1-2 13thJan / P5 24th Feb



Hockey and Football (P4-7) will commence on Thursday 19th September. We have booked the Astro pitch for Thursday mornings, and we hope to use this, week about, for hockey and football (football going first). However, this is dependent on having enough parent helpers to provide transport. Unfortunately we do not have enough helpers yet, so if you can help with transport in any, we would greatly appreciate your support. Children should come to school in their PE kit and must bring their uniform to change into.

HELPERS / VOLUNTEERS:

In preparation for hockey and football runs, and for other events, if you are able to volunteer as a driver/helper for this academic year could you please let me know via email or written note. As you will be with children 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.

RECORDERS: All P4-P7 pupils will need a recorder from Monday 16th September.

PAINTING SHIRTS P1-P7:

Please send in an old long-sleeved shirt to keep your child clean when painting. This must be put in a labelled bag, which will be kept in school.

PUPIL COLLECTION FORMS

Please ensure Data Collection Forms are completed and returned to school by Monday 16th September. A copy of the Absence, Breakfast Club, After School, and AM2 medical forms can be found on the school website. Copies of these may also be requested from school if required.

BOOK FAIR TIMES:

The Travelling Book Company will be visiting school on Monday 23rd September. The following times show when each class will visit the Book Fair in the hall. Parents are welcome to come at these times to help their child pick a suitable book:

Tuesday 24 th	P.1/2	1.20-1.50pm
	P.5/6	2.30-3.00pm
Wednesday 25 th	P.7	2.30-3.00pm
Thursday 26 th	P.3/4	1.05-2.00pm
Friday 27 th	Open during Coffee Morning	



MACMILLAN CANCER RELIEF - COFFEE MORNING:

As usual we are holding the Macmillan Coffee Morning which will take place on Friday 27th September. Coffee, tea and tray bakes will be served between 10.00am and 11.30am. We are grateful for all the support we have received in the past and we look forward to seeing you at this year's event. Please extend a warm invitation to your family, friends and neighbours, we hope they can come along.

PTA AGM

A big thank you to all you attended the PTA AGM last night. It was nice to see familiar faces and welcome new members to this organisation. We are very lucky to have a great bunch of parents who give up their free time to help our school. We greatly appreciate all that you do. At the meeting the following four positions were voted for and assigned:

Chair: Mrs Emma Orr

Vice-Chair: Mrs Rachel Davis

Secretary: Mrs Rosemary McIlwaine Treasurer: Mrs Elizabeth McDermott

UNIFORM / JEWELLERY:

Please ensure correct school uniform is worn and all items are named. appropriate hair accessories are worn. Children may wear school polo-shirts until Half-term. From 4th November uniform will be white shirts and ties.

No jewellery, including wrist bands etc. to be worn, except for a watch. No ear-rings to be worn in school. If your child has had their ears pierced within the last 6 weeks, and thus cannot remove their ear-rings, plasters must be used to cover these when in school. Please note: Due to health and safety regulations children may not take part in PE with ear-rings in (whether covered or not). Please try to ensure if you are planning to get your child's ears pierced, so to avoid them missing out on PE etc., this should be done at the start of the Summer holidays, so ear-rings can be removed for school.

ARRIVING AT SCHOOL:

- Children attending breakfast club can be dropped off at school from 8:15am onwards.
- Children NOT attending breakfast club must NOT be dropped off at school before 8:45am
- All children to be in school for 9am. The front door will be locked at 9am for pupil safety. Morning registration will close at 9:10am. Pupil's will be marked as 'late' if arriving after 9am, and this will change to 'missed registration' if arriving after 9:10am. We appreciate that sometimes arriving late is out of your control, therefore we will record this using a different code, should this be the case.

REMINDERS:

SCHOOL CLOSED (STAFF TRAINING DAY) - FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER WALKING HOME / ACROSS THE LANE - please ensure you send in a note giving your child

permission to walk home / across the Tildarg lane.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS/UNIFORM GRANTS—information regarding criteria can be found on the Education Authority NE Region website. The school budget benefits immensely from each successful application.

SPANISH ŚLIPS to be returned by Thursday 12th September (tomorrow), when Spanish will

commence.

Mrs K. S. Dickson

Principal.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Staff Training Day 20/09/19 (Fri)
- MacMillan Coffee **Morning**

27/09/19 (Fri)

• Travelling Book Fair

23/09/19 - 27/09/19

REMINDERS

- If you have any **child** protection concerns please speak to the following staff:
- Designated teacher **Miss Wright**
- Deputy Designated **Teacher Mrs Stewart**
- Designated Governor **Mrs Hunter**
- Follow us on Twitter @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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