

9th September 2016 Issue No 2

Official "Integrated Opening":

Our official "Opening" will take place on Friday 30th September at 11.00 am. Parents are very welcome to attend, although unfortunately due to pressure on space we are unable to welcome siblings on this occasion. Coffee will be served in School from 11.00am, with the ceremony commencing at 11.15am. Car parking for this event will be available at Ards Evangelical Church.

It is necessary to let us know beforehand if you are planning to attend this event. Can you please complete the attached slip (overleaf) and return to school by 16th September.

Please note pupils will be dismissed at 12 noon that day.

Leisure Centre Volunteers:

We are looking for some volunteers to help with the P3/4 trip to the Leisure Centre on a Wednesday am. The bus leaves school at 9.45 and returns at approximately 11.00 am. To date we have 2 people who have offered to help, but we need some more. Can you please speak with Mrs Jackson in the Office if you are able to help. Thank you.

P6&P7 Mountstewart Biodiversity Trips:

Thank you to everyone who offered to help with lifts. The Car Rota will be given to P6/7 parents on Monday. If any parent is able to pick a pupil up from the Breakfast Club and take to Mountstewart can you please talk to Miss Campbell/Mrs Jackson on Monday.

PTFA:

Our PTFA are already hard at work organising our Family Fun Day.

They are asking for your help with the following:

- Clean empty Jam Jars please leave in the School Office asap.
- 2. Donations for Ballot Prizes please leave in the School Office asan
- Donations for "Bottle Stall" any type of filled bottle (eg shampoo- sauces- etc) no alcohol please! again please leave in the School Office asap.
- Cake Stall Cake boxes to be distributed to willing bakers nearer the time.

Thank you for your help with this. Our PTFA do an amazing job for us and I know they appreciate your support.

Their next meeting will be held on Thursday 22nd Sept, 6.30 pm and everyone is welcome to attend.

Milk & Leisure Centre Payments:

Payment slip for this is attached. Milk orders must be received by Wednesday 14th September.

Please put all money in a named envelope along with the payment slip. Money for more than one child should not be combined into one payment, nor combined with dinner money. Cheques for Milk/Leisure Centre & School fund should be made out to Loughries Integrated Primary School. Thank you.

Friday Note

Prospectus Photographs:

We are planning a new Prospectus and photographs for this will be taken in school on Monday 12th September 2016.

Reminder of School Routines:

The start of term is a busy time and it takes a while for things to settle. Can we remind you of a few routines that really help with the smooth running of the school.

Morning Drop Off: We are reminding parents to drop their child off at the school gate in the morning. From Monday P1 parents are to walk their child into the playground (separate note sent home). Please remember that no other parent is to be in the school playground at this time.

Please report to the School Office before entering the school building. If at any time you need to speak with your child's teacher please contact Mrs Jackson in the Office, who will arrange an appointment for you.

Key Stage 1 Dismissal: Please ensure that you supervise your child/children once they have been dismissed from class. Unfortunately we have had sports equipment damaged this week because a pupil was left unsupervised after dismissal. Thank you.

PE Uniform: Thank you to those parents who have provided their child with a PE uniform. (It really makes a difference.) We are asking that **ALL** pupils have a PE uniform consisting of: white polo shirt with school logo, plain black jogging bottoms (not tracksuit bottoms) and black or white trainers/PE gutties.

P3/4: PE Arrangements

On PE days and Leisure Centre morning P3/4 children should come into school in their school uniform. Arrangements for changing into PE uniform will be as follows: girls to change in classroom and boys to change in the computer room.

School Dinners: Orders for the week ahead must be purchased on Monday morning along with correct payment, in a named envelope along with the number of days required. Money for more than one child should not be combined into one payment, nor should dinner money be combined with any other monies. Unfortunately school dinners will not be available for those children who have not paid in advance. Please make cheques payable to "Education Authority South Eastern Region." Thank you for your co-operation with these procedures. When followed, significant time is saved in the classroom and School Office.

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I am planning to attend this event: Name:

No of Seats: