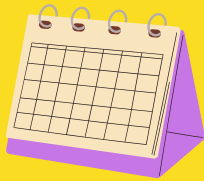




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Dates For The Diary



- **Mon 23rd May** – Coaching for Christ Celebration Fun Day
- **Mon 23rd May** – 9:15am New P.1 Parents' Meeting (current P.1 children are not to be in until 11:00)
- **Tues 24th May** – 2:15pm New Nursery Parents' Meeting
- **Tues 24th May** - 9am-10am P7 Parent Coffee Morning with Mavis
- **Wed 25th May** – Sponsored Walk with St Brigid's
- **Fri 27th May** – Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration Day for the children
- **Mon 30th & Tues 31st May** – School closed for staff training
- **Wed 1st June to Fri 3rd June** – School closed for holidays and the bank holidays
- **Wed 8th June - P1- P3 Sports Day times are as follows:**
 - 9:30 - 10:30am - P3
 - 11 - 12 noon - P1
 - 1 - 2pm - P2
- **Thurs 9th June - P4 - P7 Sports Day times are as follows:**
 - 9:15 - 10:15am - P4
 - 11 - 12 noon - P5
 - 12 - 1pm - P6
 - 1:45 - 2:45pm - P7
- **Fri 24th June** - This is the last day of school for P7 pupils and will include a Prize giving and refreshments.
- **Mon 27th June** - Ballykeel Family Fest P1- P6 (More details to follow)



Word Millionaire

Isla recently became a Word Millionaire in Accelerated Reader. This means she has read 1 million words this year! Isla is only in Primary 5, so this really is a fantastic achievement. Isla says she reads all the time and is quite the bookworm. She was treated to some chocolate and some down time treats in her classroom.



Sponsored Walk with St. Brigid's PS



We are hoping for really good weather on this day, but please make sure your child has a waterproof coat just in case! Also don't forget to apply suncream if it's sunny! Children can wear track suit bottoms and trainers and their school polo shirt and jumper.

We are collecting for 'Angel Wishes,' a charity who has been giving a lot of support to Jake in P.2 who is undergoing treatment for leukaemia. We are hoping to raise as much as possible for this charity. On the day each child will have a drink and snacks, so we are asking for a minimum donation of £3 per child to cover this. We would ask that preferably all money raised be paid on ParentPay, but on this occasion we will accept cash into school. **We will accept money before the event and up until Thursday 26th May 2022.**

'On Time Down Time'



Congratulations to P3H, P.4M and P.3M who all had no lates recorded on the week ending 13th May and to P3H, P4M and P5AM for the week ending 20th May.

Scripture Union

The Scripture Union club takes place each Monday after school from 3-4pm. We have a total of 31 children attending from the P4 and P5 classes. Each week, a speaker comes in to give a talk or tell a Bible story. The children enjoy juice and biscuits, they sing songs and have lots of fun together! We are delighted to see so many children attending this club!





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The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Day

Friday 27th May



This is going to be a fun and memorable day for the children. The Jubilee Party will be a non-uniform day, where all pupils can wear red, white and blue clothing.

The canteen staff are making an extra special Jubilee Party buffet, which we will enjoy in traditional 1950's 'street party' style. Our canteen space will be specially decorated for the Jubilee, with 1950s music and video clips playing while the children enjoy their lunch.

We hope everyone can take a school dinner on that day. Each child and family will receive a special keepsake gift to mark the Platinum Jubilee. The eldest / only child of each family will be given a book entitled "Queen Elizabeth II – The Queen Who Chose to Serve" to share with their family members, plus every child will receive a leather bookmark to commemorate the Jubilee.

We are also turning our second courtyard into the Platinum Jubilee Garden. Our first courtyard was renamed the Golden Jubilee Courtyard in 2002.

School will close early after the Party has taken place, with the following arrangements for pick up times at the usual pick up locations:

- Nursery & P.4 to P.7 at 1.30pm
- P.2 and P.3 at 1.40pm
- P.1 at 1.50pm





QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATION

FRIDAY 27TH MAY

MENU

A SELECTION OF SANDWICHES
COCKTAIL SAUSAGES
SAUSAGE ROLLS

TOP HATS
RICE KRISPIE BUNS
CELEBRATION CUPCAKES

WATERMELON
ICE-CREAM
&
ORANGE JUICE

ALL OF THE CHILDREN WILL EAT IN THE CANTEEN WHICH WILL BE DECORATED IN 1950S STREET PARTY THEME. EACH CHILD WILL RECEIVE A PARTY BUFFET BOX FOR LUNCH. AS WE ARE ALL CELEBRATING TOGETHER I WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE ALL THE CHILDREN TO HAVE A SCHOOL DINNER ON THIS DAY.