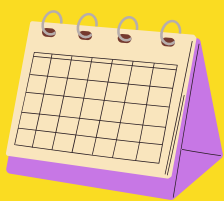




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### Dates For The Diary



**Fri 24th June** - This is the last day of school for P7 pupils and will include a Prize giving and refreshments beginning at 9:15am.



**Mon 27th June** - Ballykeel Family Fest for P1- P6 from 2.00 - 4.30pm. Please ensure that children are accompanied by no more than 2 adults. This will be a non-uniform day. **ALL** children will finish school at the following times:

- **1.30pm - P1**
- **1.40pm - P2 & 3**
- **1.50pm - P4-6**



**Thurs 30th June** - The last day of term and children will finish at the following times:

- **12.00 - P4 to P6**
- **12.10 - P2 and P3**
- **12.20 - Nursery and P1**

**Tues 30th Aug** - New school year starts.

**5th-12th Sept** - Meet The Teacher Afternoons (more details will be included with school reports).



### School Uniform

A reminder that school uniform is now on sale at Wallace. Please also remember that when buying footwear, it is plain black leather shoes (no coloured markings) for ALL children. P.4 to P.7 can change their shoes at break and lunchtimes if playing football. Dark grey or black socks for boys and grey socks, white socks or grey tights for girls.



### Take 5 - Level 3

A large part of our Emotional Health and Wellbeing focus involves using the 'Take 5' principles of Give, Connect, Take Notice, Keep learning and Be Active throughout our school life. This year we have really focused on Take 5 and have recently been recognised as being **a level 3 school** at an award ceremony in Tullyglass House Hotel. This is the highest level and to achieve this we have completed many events and activities related to 'Take 5' such as our recent sponsored walk, creating special information boards, lots of PDMU lessons in class, making videos, our jubilee dance and especially our 'Take 5' focus week with Fitness Freddie being the highlight! We have 'Take 5' pupil champions from all P.4 -7 classes who meet with ideas for activities and who also put together our 'Take 5' school pledge. We look forward to our 'Family Fest' event next week which covers every area of 'Take 5' and to next year where we will continue in our role as a 'Take 5' school.



### ‘On Time Down Time’



**Winning class w/b 13th June is P5LM. Congratulations!!**

Thank you so much to the significant majority of parents/guardians who are ensuring that their child/children are in before 9:00 each day – the staff really appreciate this. Unfortunately the problem of persistent lateness with some families remains an issue. In the month of May 101 children arrived late. This involved the school secretary having to leave her work to let these children in and record all of their names – 101 times! Last week alone 44 children were recorded as late, and on one morning over a dozen children were standing in the entrance hall which Mrs Millar had to deal with. The classes of these children are not able to attain 'On Time Down Time' because of this, and they continue to be disrupted. For those who have a pattern of running late, we ask that you leave earlier to come to school to ensure that your children are on time every day.

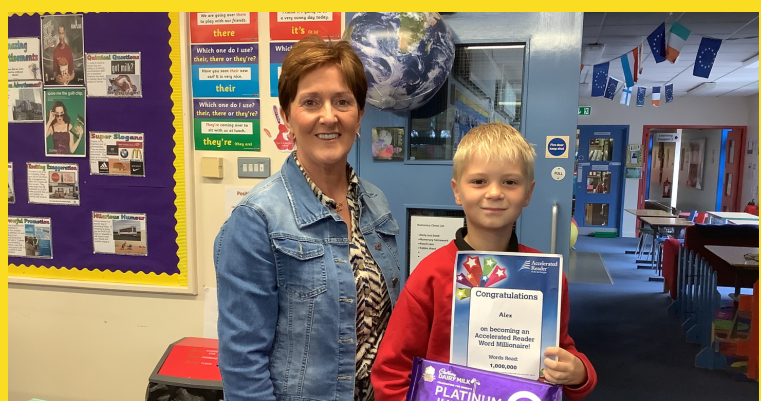


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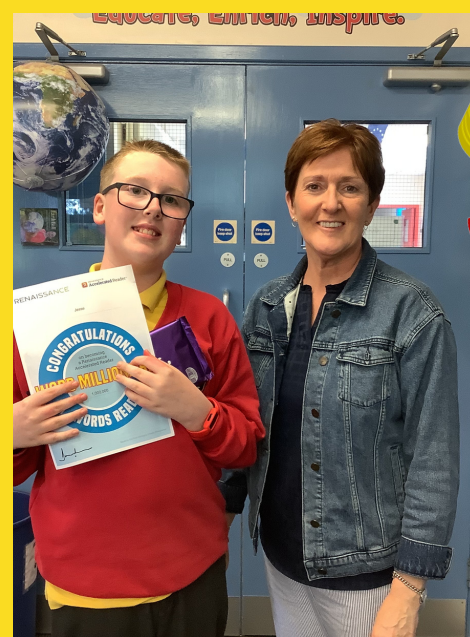
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### AR Millionaires

Alex is an AR millionaire! He has read 1 million words which is a fantastic achievement. It required a great deal of time and dedication. Well done Alex and enjoy your treats!



Jesse in P7 has become our latest AR millionaire. It is such a feat to get this once but Jesse is receiving this for the second time, as he reached millionaire status last year also! Fantastic Jesse!



### School Assemblies

During the month of June, we have enjoyed meeting together again for hymn practices and key stage assemblies!



### IFA Festival Day

On Monday 13th June the children took part in an IFA festival day. Four coaches came along and spent 40 minutes with each class.



The children in each class were split into groups to play football and other fun games such as dodgeball.





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# P7SG Memories!

- 1. Fabulous Fun Days – Red Day, Yellow Day, Pyjama Party, Jubilee Celebrations, Summer Fairs, Movie Night, Non-Uniform, Blue Day, Fire Brigade & Police Visits, Eco Van, Travelling Past.**
- 2. Tremendous Teachers –** funny, kind, calming, jazzy, joyful, helpful, fair, wonderful, encouraging, delightful, creative, exciting, crazy!
- 3. Fantastic Friends –** loyal, loving, unique, kind, caring, supportive, funny, encouraging, fun, dramatic, giggly.
- 4. Spectacular Sports –** Sports' Day, swimming, football, basketball, netball, bench ball, hockey, Andy's extreme dodgeball, daily mile, PE, volleyball, hand ball, climbing frame, skipping.
- 5. Cracking Clubs –** Football, Hockey, Power Hour, Cycling Proficiency, Choir, 2-3 Club, Mad L Maths, Cookery, Pyramid Club.
- 6. Super Subjects –** Maths, English, World Around Us, Art, RE, Creative Writing, AR, Reading Activities, ICT, Coding, Comprehension, Science, Partner Work, Show & Tell, Beat Babies.
- 7. Delightful Dinners –** food, Christmas Dinner, Buffet, Jubilee Lunch, Breakfast Club, Hot Break, stuffing, burgers, hot dogs, chicken curry, banana muffins, toffee yoghurt, popcorn cookies, brownies, chocolate cracknels.
- 8. Tip-Top Topics –** Titanic, WW2, Egyptians, Irish Famine, Olden Days, Light, Rainforest, Hey, Look At Me, On Your doorstep, Volcanoes, Space, Our Families.
- 9. Amazing Assemblies –** Prizes, Singing, Leavers' Assembly, Visitors, NSPCC, Puppets.





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## P7JH'S TOP TEN!

- 1. Topics: fun, creative, interesting, new, factual, educational, cool, informative.**
- 2. Friends: loyal, kind, funny, trustworthy, awesome, joyful, comforting, fun, respectful, inspiring, special.**
- 3. Woodhall residential: fun, educational, thrilling, cool, awesome, exhilarating, a little bit scary!**
- 4. Fun days & special events: cool, celebratory, fun-filled.**
- 5. Trips: farm, Carrickfergus Castle, Belfast pantomime, Portglenone Forest, Cinema, swimming.**
- 6. First day at school: nervous, excited, happy, scared, unfamiliar, new.**
- 7. Clubs: amazing, sporty, fun, creative, educational, exhausting, intense.**
- 8. Teachers and assistants: funny, smart, understanding, helpful, consistent, caring, happy, encouraging, clued-in, organized.**
- 9. Rewards: exciting, thrilling, uplifting, well-deserved, excellent, ego-boosting, challenging.**
- 10. Canteen: yummy, healthy, scrumptious, delicious, wide variety of food, kind and hardworking canteen staff.**



# Happy



# Summer

