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## Dates For The Diary

**Fri 2nd Dec** - Tinsel & Treat Day. Classes will be decorated and children can bring one 'unhealthy treat' that day. **Non Uniform Christmas Jumper Day - £1 cash per child** to support Radio Cracker.

**Wed 7th Dec** - Nursery Nativity & Open morning & School Christmas Dinner. **Christmas Jumper Day! Children do not start school until 11.00am this morning.**

**PLEASE ALSO NOTE - P1 to P3 finish at 1.50pm on this day, and P4-P7 finish at 2.00pm**

**Thu 8th Dec** - Choir to Radio Cracker at Fairhill Centre.

**Fri 9th Dec** - Mrs Sheeran's Christmas Quiz for P4-P7 classes.

**Mon 12th & Tue 13th Dec** - P1/2 Nativity.

**Thu 15th Dec** - P3 Nativity

**Fri 16th Dec** - Generation Celebration

**Tues 20th Dec** - 9.30am - Carol Service at Ballykeel Presbyterian Church. This will be lead by P6 & P7 children and the choir will be singing. Everyone is welcome.

**Wed 21st Dec** - **School closes at 12.00pm for P4-P7, and 12.15pm for Nursery - P3.**

**Thur 22nd Dec** - **Wed 4th Jan** - Christmas Holidays.

**Thu 5 Jan** - Return to school. Whole school trip to IMC Cinema. (more details to follow)

## P1 + P2 and P3 Nativities



Tickets for these are now on Sale. Please pay cash through your child's teacher.



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## Generation Celebration

Following the success of previous 'Generation Celebration' events we are hosting another special occasion that encourages the local community to celebrate together and also helps to bring generations together. We would therefore like to invite senior citizens to a nativity play that P 3 classes will perform, on Friday 16th December 2022 from 1:15 – 3:00 pm (approx.) It will be full of Christmas spirit, craic and some refreshments. Our fabulous school choir will also be performing. If you know of anyone who would like to attend please ring the school to book their place.

## Rotary Club Ballymena Christmas Collection



Each year, at this time, we try to help those in need either through shoe boxes, or collecting for the Rotary Club in Ballymena. This year we are collecting for the Rotary Club who provide support to members of our local community at Christmas time by distributing food hampers to those less fortunate or to the elderly. In the current cost of living crisis we feel this is very appropriate. The collection is going really well – thank you! Items can be brought in to school up until Monday 5th December.



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## Anti-Bullying Week



During Anti-bullying week the whole school took part in a variety of activities, starting off the week with 'Odd Socks Day' on Monday, and a lot of colourful socks on show! During the week all children from Nursery to P7 focused on the theme of 'Reach Out'. This included circle times, drama, quizzes and art activities with many examples of their anti-bullying work sent on Seesaw. The highlight of the week was definitely the visit by local author, Tim Bailie, who read and talked to us about his book 'Mouse and the moon rocket'. Everyone enjoyed it and Tim was very entertaining delivering his kindness message.

Tim also really appreciated the support given to him by everyone who bought a book and said it was the best response he has ever had, so thank you for that. Whole school artwork is shown in the photos of how we can 'reach out'.



## Photos from Anti-Bullying Week project

### Cinema Visit



The children will all be going to the cinema to see a movie, we will walk there and back. It is likely to be Matilda, The Musical, but we will confirm closer to the time. The cost is £7.00 and this can be paid from now until 16th December through ParentPay.





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## Football Tournament

On 24th Nov 2022 the Ballykeel footballers returned to Carniny PS to take part in the inaugural BPSFA qualifying competition.

Just like last time round, this was an incredible competitive afternoon, with very little between the teams. Well done to everyone who took part today. Team, results and scorers below: With 9 points earned from a possible 12, Ballykeel qualified in second place to Carniny and now await confirmation of our opponents from the other side of the draw. Date and venue to be confirmed.

## Glass in the Car Park or on the Footpath Outside the School

There have been a few reports of broken glass in these areas. If you see any glass please ring into the school and we will endeavour to remove it as soon as possible.

## Digital Leaders



Each year we select a group of P6/P7 children to be digital Leaders in our school. Digital Leaders love working with computers and demonstrate excellent skills in the use of ICT. Some of the tasks involve helping younger children to log on, helping staff to do little jobs on computers/i-pads and ensuring computers are shut down at the end of the day. Congratulations to the children in the photograph below who are this year's Ballykeel Primary School Digital Leaders. Well done boys and girls!