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Week beginning Monday 18th September 2017

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| Mon 18 th Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent & Toddler Group 9.15-11am – everyone welcome! • Swimming (Y6). £2 pw & £1 (returnable) for lockers. Bring gear, goggles, bag. • McNicholl School of Dancing classes in school hall, 6pm • <i>Friends of New Row</i> first meeting of the year 6pm |
| Tues 19 th Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Photographer. Tidy Uniforms please. Opportunity for family photos also • Y3 & 4 Hurling begins (afternoon) – see overleaf for info re PE arrangements |
| Wed 20 th Sept | <p>NO Front Door Access from today – see overleaf for info on temporary arrangements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y1 & 2 PE begins (morning) – see overleaf for info re PE arrangements • Violin, Clarinet & Flute lessons continue. Remember your instrument! • 'Flu consent forms should be returned by today – very important! • Bellaghy Parish sacramental talk 7.30pm in Parish Hall (Y7) - children in uniform accompanied by parents • St Malachy's GAC host information evening on the new A6 bypass at 7.30pm |
| Thur 21 st Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y5 & 7 Gaelic Football begins (afternoon) – see overleaf for info re PE arrangements • Piloxing with Bernie in hall 7.30pm. £30 for 7 week block. Everybody Welcome |
| Fri 22 nd Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assembly & awards • Guitar lessons continue. Remember your instrument! • GL Assessment (Y7 Transfer Test) registration closes at 2pm (St Mary's GS) |
| Sat 23 rd Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'School Run' 10K and 5K run/walk for St Oliver Plunkett's PS Toome 11am |
| Mon 25 th Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent & Toddler Group 9.15-11am – everyone welcome! |
| Fri 29 th Sept | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff Training – School closes at 1pm |

Dates for your diary:

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| Mon 2 nd Oct | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y1 pupils attend all day (9am-2pm) |
| Fri 6 th Oct | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moyola & Toome Credit Union Savings starts – new members always welcome |
| W/B 9 th Oct | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent Teacher meetings – school closes at 1pm all week |

- Reminder from the office: Dinners are now £2.60. As of this week, we can no longer accept old £1 coins. Please check your coins before putting in an envelope. Many thanks for your assistance.
- Well done to our **Y7** who enjoyed a day of activities at **Parkanaur with Castledawson PS** – great reports about friendships forged and excellent behaviour.
- Many thanks to all the efforts made by parents to help us mark **Derry Day**, showing support for Derry minors in their All Ireland Final. Unfortunately, it was not to be their day, but what an experience.
- **Music lessons for Y4 & 5:** Ear tests will take place this week for violin. There are no new guitar lessons on offer at this time. I have begun a waiting list for those who have expressed an interest in the future.
- **Flu consent forms.** It is very important that all consent forms sent home last week/today are completed and returned to the class teacher promptly and before Wednesday 20th September. If you did not receive one for your child, contact the office immediately.
- Would you be free to lend a hand once every few weeks at our **Parent and Toddler Group**? It runs on Mondays 9.15-11am. If we could get a few names for a rota that would really help. Just let me know.
- Remember to **keep checking the bags**, website and parent board weekly. Many thanks for your continued support

PE Arrangements: Term 1

| Class(es) | Day | Activity | Uniform |
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| Y1 | Wednesday (am) | PE in hall | Do not change for PE |
| Y2 | Wednesday (am) | PE in hall | Wear PE gear in to school; change back in to uniform after PE lesson. Parents make sure uniform is sent into school in a labelled bag and items labelled also. |
| Y3 & 4 | Tuesday (pm) | Hurling & Camogie with Ulster Council | Change in school. T-shirt & track bottoms (outside sessions). Pupils change after PE before going home. Hurls and helmets provided by school. |
| Y4 | 6 sessions (fortnightly) Starts Thur 28 th Sept | 'Fit for life' Meadowbank | £2 per child. Bring PE gear & change in school. Tracksuit & warm jumper/coat. Bring a drink. Canteen break will be sent along. Others bring snack. |
| Y5 & 7 | Thursday (pm) | Gaelic Football | Change in school. T-shirt & track bottoms (outside sessions). Pupils change after PE before going home |
| Y6 | Monday (pm) | Swimming | Bring gear, goggles, and bag. £2 pw & £1 (returnable) for lockers |

Uniform Reminder

Please make sure your child's name is on all items of uniform. This is particularly important as PE begins this week and all classes except Y1 change at some time during the week.

Children are free to take their jumpers off during the day but are expected to leave school every day with their jumper on. This helps to ensure that they take it home and do not forget it.

If your child accidentally brings home an item of clothing not belonging to them, return to the class teacher the next day. If your child loses their jumper, let the teacher know the next day. Very often it has been left in the class or hall and can be tracked down quickly. Unclaimed jumpers are usually found at the back door area. A lost & found box will once again be located at the front door when our building work is complete.

No front door access from Wed 20th September: Arrangements

Morning:

All pupils enter through the back gate. This gate will be closed at 9.10am sharp.

Y2, 6 & 7: proceed to mobiles

Y1, 3, 4 & 5: enter school through back door (beside current office)

Access at other times: entry to the school shall only be through the back gate. Please use the buzzer on the wall to the left of the gate.

Back gate should be kept closed at all times between 9.10am & 2pm/3pm. Please make sure you close it behind you to keep our children safe. Also, if you see it open, please help us and close it!

Afternoon:

1pm **Y1:** leave school through assembly hall fire escape. Parents/Carers wait outside until their child's name is called out.

2pm: **Y2** collection arrangements: no change

3pm: **Y3, 4 & 5** will be escorted through the fire exit at the bottom of the corridor and around the side of the building. They can be collected from in front of the assembly hall windows.

Y6 & 7 arrangements: no change



St Malachy's GAC Come Dine With Me #dawsonstyle Saturday 14th October 2017

Interested in preparing a meal for 8-10 guests to help support a great cause?

St Malachy's are asking club members & friends to get involved in raising finance for a new wall ball, enhancing further the facilities at the Brough. Guests donate £20 to the club (host goes free). Anyone interested in hosting, please contact Cathryn 07718108356

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New Row Runners Update

Track sessions with Andrea begin again this Wed 6.30pm-7.30pm. You need to register with Mid Ulster Council and sessions will run on Mondays and Wednesdays. Cost £18 for 9 weeks.

Toome School Run 10K and 5K run/walk
Want to get those running shoes out again? Why not meet up with other New Row Runners and take part in the School Run next Saturday in Toome? A local (flat) run with medals for first 250 finishers. Registration from 9.30am and race starts at 11am
Would be great to support another local school, too!