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### Week beginning Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Y7 swimming</li> <li>• Cancer Focus activity day Y1-7</li> </ul>
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Y7 Shared Education Bridge Building workshop with CPS in hall 9.45-12 noon</li> </ul>
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eoin McNicholl (Ulster GAA) fundamentals Y2: 9.15 &amp; Y1 9.50am Y3: 10.45am</li> <li>• <del>Y6 &amp; 7</del> Y5 Gaelic football session with St Mary's College coaches (pm) week 2 of 5</li> <li>• Violin lessons</li> <li>• Bee Safe Community safety event with Y7 &amp; some Y6 (afternoon)</li> <li>• St Mary's GS blitz for Y6/7 boys 9.30am – 2.15pm</li> </ul>
Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	<p><b>World Book Day</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Y4 Fit for Life. Bring £2 for bus</li> <li>• Y5 All Set Shared Education session with Castledawson PS</li> <li>• All county Gaelic F'ball Finals Meadowbank 10am</li> <li>• Y7 Shared education in CPS 9.45-11.45am</li> <li>• Flute &amp; Clarinet lessons</li> </ul>
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mass 9.45am led by Y6. All family and friends welcome.</li> <li>• Guitar lessons</li> <li>• All Set (Y5 Cross Community Programme) performance with Castledawson PS in New Row PS at 2pm</li> <li>• Credit Union Quiz team next stage in B'mena</li> </ul>
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bridge Mass (for those children making First Communion) 9am St Patrick's Church</li> </ul>
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recycling collection <u>ends</u> at 9am</li> <li>• Friends of NR meeting 6pm re Easter Raffle</li> </ul>
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parent &amp; Teacher interviews. School will close for all pupils at 1pm</li> </ul>

- **Parent Teacher interviews** are next week. Please see notice overleaf.
  - **PE change:** *For this week only*, Y5 will getting some extra practice on Wednesdays as part of the coaching programme organised through St Mary's College Belfast. Bring PE gear, suitable for outdoor activities.
  - Good luck to our **Gaelic footballers** who will compete in the All county Gaelic F'ball Finals Meadowbank this Thursday at 10am
  - **Weather warning:** You may have heard that there is a weather warning predicted for Wednesday. If we need to make changes to our school day, we will inform you as early as possible via our text service and on the school's Twitter account. Keep your phones handy and follow @NewRowPS to keep up to date.
  - **Recycling Collection:** Get filling those bags and leave them in the back of the assembly hall. See overleaf for more info on what you should/should not include. Please remember to tie your bin bags.
  - **Peace proms:** Congratulations to all Y6 & 7 who travelled to Belfast SSE Arena yesterday. It was a wonderful afternoon - we are very proud of how all our pupils participated. Thanks for the support, too!
  - **Swimming gala:** Congratulations to our swimmers Conn, Conor, Ronan. Chloe, Cliodhna & Hannah who represented New Row in the inaugural Mid Ulster Schools' Swimming Gala. All swimmers had excellent times and Hannah came 2<sup>nd</sup> in freestyle. Well done to them all!
  - **Golf afterschools:** ended last week. Thanks to Tony for providing this club – the children really enjoyed it.
- Many thanks for your continued support



## Recycling Collection: Just one week to go!

### What we collect

#### We accept:

- Men's Clothing
- Women's Clothing
- Children's Clothing
- Household textiles i.e. Curtains
- Paired shoes
- Handbags
- Belts



#### Unfortunately we cannot accept

- Dirty or wet clothing
- Single shoes
- Off cuts of material
- Mats
- Carpets



Please leave all bin bags (secured) at the back of the hall **before 9am, Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

#### Update:

The school has just ordered new tables and chairs to be used in Years 2-7. Many of the existing tables and chairs have been in use for over 30 years, so an upgrade is long overdue!

An order has also just been made of over £2,000 to improve the children's Accelerated Reader library. This is only possible with the support of everyone.

#### Easter Raffle: Ticket Sponsor(s) wanted!

We are currently organising our annual Easter Raffle. We will be approaching local small businesses to donate prizes.

*Would you like to sponsor the tickets?*

The name of your business will appear on every ticket. It is a great way to advertise your support for your local school. Please contact Carmel Diamond or Deirdre Graffin if this is something you're interested in.

#### Friends of New Row AGM

Due to the building commitments and a very busy time in New Row, our AGM has been postponed until the start of Term 3. We are always looking for new members so please do consider joining the committee. A date for the AGM to follow.

#### Bridge Mass Sun 4<sup>th</sup> March 2018 @ 9am

Roles	Parent/family member of:
Organising children at start of mass	Thandi Hassan Aine Doyle
Preparation of Altar	Aoibhín McGlone
Readers (incl PoF)	PARISH READERS (ROTA)
Offertory Gifts (2 from each family)	Niamh Diamond Maya Gribbin
Organise final hymn	<i>Priest invites children out</i>

Remember that the children:

- Process in together at the start of mass
- Come out at *Our Father* & back at *Lamb of God*

Come out to sing the last hymn together

## Start of the school day

**Breakfast club from 8.15-8.50 (£1 daily including cereal, toast and drink)**

All children are welcome when the bell rings at 8.50am. No child should be in school before the bell goes at 8.50am unless they are attending the breakfast club. Only those at breakfast club are supervised in the hall.

#### Reminder:

**School begins promptly at 9.00am.** Should your child be absent for any reason, please call into the office or provide a note to explain to the class teacher on the child's return.

#### Spring Parent Teacher Meeting: Progress update

Parent Teacher interviews are next week. There is a time allocation of 10 min per child. Times have been sent home so contact the office immediately if you have not received a time. There is no facility to supervise children when parents are attending the interview unless they have been booked in to afterschool. *For their safety, please do not leave children unsupervised on school grounds.* Remember also that school will finish all week at 1pm. Afterschools must be booked in the morning before 10am so we can organise staff. 1.15-3pm: £3 1.15-4pm: £5