New Row Primary School 43 New Row Castledawson BT45 8AP 028 7946 8426



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We care

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We learn

### Week beginning Monday 27th November 2017

****Winners of Class of the Week: <b>Year 5</b> ****						
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Parent &Toddler Group, Y6 Swimming					
	McNicholl School of Dancing classes in school hall, 6pm					
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Y3 & 4 Hurling with Kevin Hinphey Ulster GAA (afternoon) Remember gear!					
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Y1 & 2 PE (am) PE with Ciaran Sharkey (Ulster GAA)					
	<ul> <li>Clarinet &amp; Flute lessons. NO Violin lessons (On Thursday this week only)</li> </ul>					
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Y4 Shared Education Session in CPS – leaving 9.15am sharp. Wear a coat.					
	<ul> <li>Violin lessons (this week only)</li> </ul>					
	<ul> <li>Y5 &amp; 7 Gaelic Football sessions in school (afternoon)</li> </ul>					
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	NO Monthly mass					
	<ul> <li>Y6 &amp; 7 attend St Mary's GS Musical 'Guys &amp; Dolls' leaving 9.15am sharp £3 each</li> </ul>					
	<ul> <li>Y3 PE with Ciaran Sharkey (Ulster GAA) in school – afternoon *BRING IN GEAR*</li> </ul>					
	Guitar lessons continue. Remember your instrument!					
Dates for your diary						
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Feast of the Immaculate Conception: Parish mass at 9am – come to school early!					
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Bridge Mass (No. 2) 9am.					
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Staff Christmas Dinner – SCHOOL CLOSES @ 1PM FOR PUPILS (no afterschools)					
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Parish Carol Service with all Y3-7 participating 5pm **NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**					
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> De	New Row PS Open Day. Two sessions: 9.30am & 1.30pm					
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	School closes for Christmas at 11am. No breakfast club or school dinner.					

- Cinema trip: This year we have planned a trip to the cinema to see Paddington 2 on Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Dec. We must thank Friends of New Row for subsidising this trip as buses are very expensive. FoNR are also supplying treats for the children. The cost is £5 per child & £10 for 2 or more children i.e. the most any family should pay is £10. Please send in any money to your child's teacher (not office) in a clearly marked envelope. What a lovely Christmas treat!
- Parents of Y6 & 7: Peace Proms 18 Sun 25<sup>th</sup> Feb. Tickets available online at <a href="www.ssearenabelfast.com">www.ssearenabelfast.com</a> Standard £15.50, Family (2 adults & 2 child u16) £55.00. Y6&7 children do <a href="mailto:not not need">not need a ticket</a>.
- Calendars sales are going well. Pre-order using the slip at the bottom. Many thanks for your support.
- LOTS of Christmas dates overleaf! Note: change of date of Carol Service. All Y3-7 are participating.
   Remember also dates for Children's Christmas Dinner and Staff Christmas Dinner (<u>Children go home at 1pm on Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Dec</u> no afterschools).

Many thanks for your continued support

**Mrs Deirdre Graffin** 

Principal

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## Friends of New Row: 2018 Calendar now available to order!

We can't wait for you all to see the beautiful calendars celebrating the talents, interests and experiences of all our New Row PS pupils. These are an ideal present for loved-ones - family, friends and anyone with a connection to New Row. EVERY PUPIL OF NEW ROW PS is in the calendar. £6 each or 3 for £15 WHAT TO DO: Simply pre-order using the slip overleaf! All orders must be returned in a sealed envelope including the correct amount. Return to school office. The orders will then be processed by Friends of New Row. Last date for orders: Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Dec.

Safe Drop off & Collection: Please remember to be careful when dropping off or collecting children. We ask that drivers watch their speed in/around the collection areas to prevent a serious accident.

<b>Christmas events in New Row</b>						
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas guests: Kiddies' Castle (pm)					
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day					
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Cinema trip! Y1-7					
	Carol singing: Meadowlane at 2pm					
Thur 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas guests: Kiddies' Castle (am)					
	Staff dinner: Children home 1pm					
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Carol singing in Tesco at 1pm					
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Carol Service 5pm including Y3					
	nativity & carols from Y4-7					
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Parent & Toddler Xmas party!					
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Open Day: 9.30-11am & 1.30-2.30pm					
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y3-5 Christmas in New Row 9.30am –					
	parents & family welcome					
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Christmas Fun Day – non uniform.					
Dec	Last full day of school.					
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	Term 1 officially ends at 11am					

## **Kiddies' Castle**

Early Years Education Centre

#### **OPEN MORNING**

Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec 10-11.30am 1-4 Parker Ave, Castledawson BT458AR

#### Moyola & Toome Credit Union Ltd

Congratulations to Imogen Cleary-Cong, Danielle Boyle & Olivia Mullan who were all winners in the resent M& T CU poster competition!

# Attention all Sam Savers! Annual Christmas Draw

6 x £20 Smyth's Toy Vouchers to be won To be eligible, you must have saved at least £5 in total between Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Nov & Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Dec. Good luck and thanks for your support.

**Staffing Update**: We wish to inform parents that following interviews, two further teaching appointments were made last week (both subject to ratification). The successful candidates are Miss Catherine Walls for KS1/2 FT perm & Miss Sinead Dillon for KS2 FT temp. Welcome to New Row!

#### Places for P1 September 2017 & 2018

We have already received details of a number of children for our P1 class in September. If you know someone who needs a form for P1 please contact the school and we will take the necessary details. Application forms will follow in December. The closing date for all applications is Wed 10th Jan 2018.

**Places for September 2019**: If you know of any parent interested in enrolling their child in New Row in September 2018, we would be grateful if they could contact the office so we can take their details. This will help us plan ahead as we are reaching our maximum enrolment number and need to make arrangements.

## Open Day: Tues 19th Dec 2017

Is your child starting school in September 2018?

Are you a parent of school age children, a current parent or friend of New Row? Come along!

Morning: 9.30-11am Afternoon: 1.30-2.30pm

\*See outstanding learning taking place every day\*

\*Enjoy a tour of our facilities, guided by School Council members\*

\*Take a walk around and see all the recent improvements we have made!\*

If you are unable to attend, you are welcome to call, talk to the principal and arrange another time

Name (please print clearly)				Contact Number		
£6 each or £15 for 3. Please include the correct amount in a sealed envelope clearly marked 'Calendar						
Order'. Cheques should be made payable to 'Friends of New Row'. Return before Fri 8 Dec.						
Quantity ordered		Total £ enclos	sed			

Many thanks for your support. Calendars will be distributed as soon as they are available. Updates via text.