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Week beginning Monday 5th Dec 2016

No Afterschools Activities: 2-3 club and homework club as normal to 4pm

Mon 5 th Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent & Toddler Group 9.15-11am; Y6 swimming continues. Remember £2 & gear • Irish dancing 6.30pm • Friends of New Row AGM 6.30pm. Everyone Welcome
Tues 6 th Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 5 Irish lessons continue with Mid Ulster Council 11.30am • Gaelic F'ball sessions for Y6 & 7 (during school – bring PE gear & track bottoms)
Wed 7 th Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Dinner for children • Y1-3 fundamentals with Ulster GAA (Kieran Sharkey) • Fit for life (Y4) £2 for bus and wrap up warm! • 9.30am: Violin, 11.30am: Flute/clarinet lessons, 2pm Y5 Tin Whistle lesson
Thur 8 th Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gaelic F'ball sessions for Y4&5 (during school – bring PE gear & track bottoms)
Fri 9 th Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Row Nativity Dress rehearsal with Kiddies Castle 10am • Carol singing in Meadowlane 1.30pm
Sun 11 th Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Carol Service @ 5pm (incl Y3 play & carols from Y3-7) Tea in school after

Dates for your diary:

Tues 13 th Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas guests: Kiddies Castle (1.30pm) • Last day for St Vincent de Paul gift collection
Wed 14 th Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas at New Row – Musicians' performance 9.30am. Parents welcome.
Thur 15 th Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y6&7 pupils interested in indoor Camogie, football & hurling travelling to Meadowbank (am) • Staff Christmas Dinner – SCHOOL CLOSSES @ 1.15PM FOR PUPILS (no afterschools)
Fri 16 th Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Jumper Day (non-uniform day: £1 for charity) • Choir singing in Tesco, 1.30pm (15 pupils)
Mon 19 th Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent & Toddler Xmas party, Last day of Y6 swimming
Wed 21 st Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carol singing & music in Castledawson Home, 2pm
Thur 22 nd Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Fun Day with Paul Diamond (am) & disco (pm) – last full school day
Fri 23 rd Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School closes at 11am

- Thanks for the decorations!! The tree will look great when they are all on! This is a lovely way to share Christmas between home and school. Thanks again for all efforts.
 - Important information overleaf regarding the arrangements for Sunday's carol service. Please take time to read and contact us with any queries.
 - Please note: Thurs 15th Dec all children go home at 1.15pm
 - A reminder to all parents. There is **NO Supervision before 8:50am**. Please do not drop your children off early. They will have to wait by the front door. Breakfast club is available for £1 (8.15-8.50am)
- Many thanks for your continued support

Mrs Deirdre Graffin

Principal

Couch to 5K/Improve your 5K time January 2017

We are thinking about organising a weekly running programme in Meadowbank for parents and friends of New Row in the new year. The aim would be to support beginners as they prepare for a 5K event and help more experienced runners improve their 5K time. If this is something you would be interested in, please complete the expression of interest slip overleaf and return to Mrs Karen McElroy (VP & Year 6 teacher) before the end of the week. We will be able to let you know before Christmas if it is feasible

Arrangements for Carol Service – Sun 11th Dec at 5pm

All Y3-7 children should arrive at 4.45pm. Y4-7 should be in full school uniform

All Y4, 5, 6 & 7 children are required to attend as every class will be performing a carol for the congregation. The children are very welcome in the school for refreshments following the service as a thank you for their efforts.

Please note: McNicholl School of Dancing Class Feis (Glenullin) – All 8-10 year old dancers will be finished by 4.30pm at the latest

Tea back in school:

Family, friends and parishioners are very welcome to come to the school for tea and mince pies etc. following the service. There will also be an opportunity to see the children's Christmas Art work, displayed in the hall for family and friends to enjoy.

Nativity play performed by Y3 – costume arrangements

Y3 Costumes: Please send in your child's costume in a bag labelled with their name on Wednesday. If you are unsure of what your child needs, please contact Mrs Murphy ASAP. Costumes will be travelling between home and school, so labelling everything is important!

Year 3 children should come to school dressed in costume on Thur 8th Dec & Fri 9th Dec, with their uniform in a clearly labelled bag. They will change in to this later in the morning.

Open Day: Thurs 8th Dec 2016

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

Is your child starting school in September 2017?

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

See outstanding learning taking place every day

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

Take a walk around and see the different outdoor areas

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

Places for P1 September 2017 & 2018

If you know someone who needs an application form for P1 please contact the school. The closing date for all applications is Wed 11th Jan 2017. We are also taking details of children hoping to enrol in year 1 in Sept 2018.

Christmas presents for staff

Every year parents are very generous in showing your appreciation. This year we are a collection point for **St Vincent de Paul's Family Appeal**. If you would rather contribute to this in lieu of presents for staff, please do. We have been asked to focus on gifts for teenagers – toiletries, perfumes/aftershave, small items of inexpensive jewellery etc. Collection box in the foyer from Mon 5th - Tues 13th Dec. Thank you all.

Head lice: Please check your child's hair every week and treat as necessary. There were several cases in the older classes this term, so it is important that all pupils are checked and treated.

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I would be interested in getting involved in a weekly running programme starting in January 2017

Name	Parent/family friend of...
Contact number	