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P1 Sept 2017: If you know someone who needs an application form for P1					
please contact the office immediately. Closing date is Wed 11th Jan, 12 noon.					
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	School reopens for all pupils – full day				
	Break money: £4.80 payable directly to canteen. Milk £4 for Jan – payable to office.				
	From 6 Jan School dinners will be £2.55				

Week beginning Monday 9th January 2017

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Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	• Parent & Toddler group 9.15-11am					
	• Swimming begins for Y7 – remember £2, swim gear and goggles(& hat for girls)					
	Friends of New Row meeting <u>6.00pm</u>					
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan	• Y6 & 7 Hurling & Camogie (during school). Bring PE gear (& helmet/hurl if have one)					
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Jan	APPLICATIONS FOR Y1 SEPT 2017 MUST BE RETURNED BY 12 NOON					
	Ulster GAA Y1-3 fundamentals returns (no dates yet for Y4 Fit for life)					
	9.30am: Violin, 11.30am: Flute/clarinet lessons					
	New Row Runners: Meet in Meadowbank 5.15pm sharp					
	Rainey Endowed School Open Night 1 of 2: 7pm					
Thur 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan	• Y6 & 7 Hurling & Camogie (during school). Bring PE gear (& helmet/hurl if have one)					
	St Mary's College Clady Open Night 7pm					
	Rainey Endowed School Open Night 2 of 2: 7pm					
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<ul> <li>Monthly mass – 9.45am – every one very welcome</li> </ul>					
Sat 14th Jan	St Pius X College Open Morning 9.30am					
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	St Patrick's College Maghera Open Night 7pm					
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan • St Mary's GS M'felt Open Day. Principal's address 9am & 12 noon						
	St Patrick's College Maghera Open Day 12 noon					

#### **Dates for your diary**

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Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Year 3 assembly 9.30am				
Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Y4 Bridge mass 9.00am – Catholic Schools' Week begins				
	Friends of New Row Big Breakfast in school hall				

#### Other important information

- We are very excited about our latest home/school partnership New Row Runners. See overleaf for important information and spread the word!
- School Dinner Reminder: EA have informed us that the price will rise to £2.55 in January

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1 day	2 days	3 days	4 days	5 days
£2.55	£5.10	£7.65	£10.20	£12.75

- UNIFORM REMINDER: We got off to a great start with uniforms in term 1 but towards Christmas we were seeing more coloured trainers. Please remember that shoes should be dark (including the laces and soles) and bottoms should be plain (for those not wearing trousers or tights/skirt). Thermals worn under the uniform are not necessary as our school is heated. Very importantly, please check that items are still labelled as many names have washed off. I really appreciate you helping in making sure our children look their best always.
- Many thanks for your continued support

Mrs Deirdre Graffin

Principal

### **Anti-bullying survey for Parents**

We are currently surveying staff, pupils and parents about what we do to promote healthy friendships and prevent bullying. Information will follow next week by text to allow all parents to access an online questionnaire via their phone.

# Camogie/hurling for all Y4-7

Thanks to the fundraising of our Friends of New Row, we are now able to offer all Year 4-7 pupils weekly Hurling and Camogie lessons. These will run until half-term, when then we will switch back to football until Easter. Pupils should bring a change of PE gear, including tracksuit bottoms for outside activities.

We sincerely thank the efforts of Friends of New Row for helping make this possible by raising funds so we can buy the necessary equipment.

# **Piloxing**

begins again in school hall
Thursday at 7.30pm
\*\*Offer: 5 weeks for £20\*\*
Phone Bernie 07751253921 to book your
place

#### Canteen break

Please do not send in any extra treats for your child to eat at break if they take canteen break. They don't have time and it is unnecessary considering lunch follows 1½ hours later. Also, if your child does not take canteen break, please remember:

# Break time healthy eating policy:

snack on fruit/small sandwich No crisps, chocolate, sweets or biscuits.

### Recommended healthy lunch policy:

Filled sandwich/bread product (scone, bagel, pancake)

Healthy snack bar, fruit & water

## **Building update**

Our work to refurbish our classrooms, staffrooms, offices and toilets is due to begin later this term. We are very excited about the changes that lie ahead for all the pupils and staff. One school closure day is being held in reserve to use at a time when it is needed most during this building work. We will confirm this as soon as possible in Term 2.

# New Year...New You... with New Row Runners

Have you always wanted to run a 5K? Have you already achieved your goal but want to improve your time? Join us! The programme will be led by a fully qualified athletics coach.

#### Who?

- Anyone over 16 parent or friend of New Row
- Current Year 6 & 7 pupils of NRPS (accompanied by a parent/guardian)
- Any post primary child under 16 (accompanied by a parent/guardian)

Children cannot be 'dropped off'

When? Begins Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January and runs for 9 weeks

Where and what time? Meadowbank, 5.15pm

#### How much?

No cost for pupils of New Row - Everyone else: £15

The programme will end with a reason to celebrate - everyone taking part in a running event together!

Spread the word

