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*We care*

*We share*

*We learn*

### Week beginning Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017

Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Break money due for April (£4)</u></li> <li>• Y7 swimming as usual</li> <li>• Pharmacist visiting Years 6 &amp; 7 re Healthy Lifestyle</li> <li>• Y4 Set dancing £1 per child.</li> <li>• Y6 Homework Club 3-4pm</li> <li>• Friends of New Row meeting 6pm in school</li> </ul>
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Y4 Shared Education workshop with Castledawson PS (in CPS) 11am (back for dinner)</li> <li>• Y7 Shared Education workshop with Castledawson PS (in NRPS) after lunch</li> <li>• Gaelic Football for Y6 (not Y7) in school with Miss Walls – bring PE gear</li> </ul>
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ulster GAA Fundamentals continues with Ciaran Sharkey Y1-3</li> </ul>
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Choir practice in church (11am) for Holy Thursday mass</li> <li>• Gaelic Football for Y4&amp;5 in school with Miss Walls – bring PE gear</li> <li>• Piloxing continues in hall: 7.30pm</li> </ul>
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School Closed at <b>12.45pm</b> (Staff Training-Autism Awareness) <b>NO AFTERSCHOOLS</b></li> <li>• Coding Workshop for 8 pupils (Digital Leaders + 2) 10am-2.30pm, Magherafelt</li> </ul>
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Y5 Creative &amp; Expressive Workshop in St Pius X College</li> <li>• Cross Country (rescheduled) for Y6&amp;7 in St Patrick's Maghera. Leaving 12.20pm</li> </ul>
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 4 Fit For Life</li> <li>• Friends of New Row Big Easter Raffle 1.15pm Parents &amp; families very welcome!</li> </ul>
Thur 13 <sup>th</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School closes for Easter Holidays 11am</li> <li>• Holy Thursday Mass with school choir and apostles for washing of feet @ 5pm</li> </ul>

- Well done to our Ladies Footballers who represented both county and school at the Ulster Finals last week. Competition was tough as only the best get to represent their county! It was not to be our day and although there was no silverware, the girls have great memories of winning a county medal.
  - Thanks to those who have paid the second instalment of music tuition. Remember we will have a concert at the end of the year for all beginners, so keep encouraging your child to have at least 4 *good* practices a week for 15/20 minutes. Lots of talent to celebrate – but it can be hard work!
  - Afterschools are now over for all groups. May I take this opportunity to thank all staff for their dedication and enthusiasm. Without staff leaders, we wouldn't enjoy such a wide range of activities.
  - Autism awareness training – remember school closes at 12.45 on Friday (after an early dinner). This training is for all staff – teaching & non-teaching. Children should be collected promptly as the training is in Castledawson PS and starts at 1pm sharp. We think this is a great staff development opportunity.
  - Lenten Charity Campaign continues – Copper collections in class. Your support is appreciated.
  - Friends of New Row: Easter Draw. Amazing range of prizes on offer – we can't believe the generosity. Please do not miss out!! Get your tickets today! See overleaf for more information.
  - Congratulations to Mrs Diamond and her husband on the christening of their new son, Dara Diamond, yesterday. Dara was a welcome addition to the family and is already being spoilt by his 3 older sisters!
  - Thanks to all who helped as we participated in the Big Pedal. Our statistics improved daily and we appreciate the extra effort many parents made to help make the journey to school an active one.
- Many thanks for your continued support

**Mrs Deirdre Graffin**

Principal



## Friends of New Row

### Easter Draw

Book of 6: £5 or £1 each

All funds raised will help buy resources for all classes.

Raffle will be held on  
**Wednesday 12th April at 1.15pm.**

### GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

More books available from the office  
Prizes for ticket sellers, too!

*Thank you to all the businesses and friends of New Row for their donations*

### Prizes so far:

A huge selection of Easter hampers, baskets & Easter treats  
A variety of gift vouchers and lots of other prizes including:

Amy Rose Flowers  
Ash Blondes  
Barbers  
Bellaghy Pharmacy  
Burns & Co (Draperstown)  
Castledawson Pharmacy  
El Toro Restaurant  
Gems  
Lloyds Pharmacy  
O'Brien's Pharmacy  
Serephina Boutique (Cookstown)  
Sportique  
The Inn  
Vivo, Castledawson  
The Fruit Shop (Magherafelt)

## Child Protection & Safeguarding Update

Following Staff Training, we have restructured our Safeguarding Team. Miss Gribbin is our new Designated Teacher, after comprehensive training in March. In Mrs Diamond's absence, Mrs Graffin & Miss Dillon (Y5) are acting as Online Safety Officers. Some updated CP & Safeguarding policies have been approved by the Board of Governors and staff continue to review others. An up to date list of all policies and an opportunity for parents to respond to these will be available after Easter.

### Important

Is something making you sad or worried?  
Got something on your mind that's bothering you?  
Have you seen something you knew wasn't right online?  
Need someone to talk to?  
**We can help!**



Miss Gribbin

Mrs McElroy

Mrs Diamond

Mrs Graffin

Y1 Teacher  
Designated Teacher

VP & Y6 Teacher  
Deputy DT

ICT Coordinator  
Online Safety Officer

Principal  
Safeguarding team

*Adults: Remember also that copies of all Safeguarding and Child Protection policies are available on request from the school office*