



KNOCKLOUGHRIM SCHOOL NEWS



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2014

Welcome to our newsletter this week. We continue to be settling in and attempting to create a routine in school. Routine is really important for all our little learners as regular meals and going to bed at the same time each evening helps control our "body clock". This then has a huge impact on our moods and ability to function to the best of our ability. We hope you at home are beginning to re-establish your routines and hope and pray this goes well and before long it will seem like we were never off. We have a busy week planned so I would ask you to keep all our little learning community in your thoughts and prayers especially those who are ill or in need of support.

Healthy Break: I would like to inform new parents and remind the parents of our older pupils in our school that we operate a Healthy Break policy. Crisps, sweets and confectionary are discouraged at break time in favour of fruit, vegetable, dairy and bread based snacks. Please help us to help all our children have the best start to the day by actively supporting this policy from home.

Flu Vaccination: As you may have heard it has been announced that all children aged 2 years to 16 years inclusive will be offered the flu vaccine on an annual basis by the Public Health Agency. The plan is that those of school age will be offered it in school by school health teams as this is likely to achieve the best uptake. Further information is being sent home today.

Accelerated Reading: As part of our continuing efforts to support and encourage our children to read for enjoyment, and with the financial support of our PTA we are continuing with the development of our Accelerated Reading Library in school. This is an online programme that encourages the reading of fiction and non fiction books and then tests the children's knowledge and understanding of the book online. It is so much more than just saying what you read but encourages a deeper understanding of the child's text. We are seeking donations of good quality children's fiction and nonfiction books to supplement our suitable books already in our stock and those that have been purchased by our school or PTA or given to us by the NEELB. Not all books are on the Accelerated Reading system so any donated books that are not suitable will still be gratefully received as they can be included in the normal class library of the most suitable year group.

Dates for the diary:

- Monday 15th Sept. - P1 stay until 2pm
- Monday 15th Sept. - After School Clubs Commence
- Tuesday 16th Sept. - School Photographer



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Dinner menu for next week on back of page



Clubs will commence on Monday 15th Sept. A timetable and reply slip is being sent home today and we would ask that you discuss this carefully with your children as options can't be swapped or refunds offered after places are booked.

For some clubs places are limited so will be placed on a first come first served basis. Unfortunately the costs of some have increased due to the use of external providers but they remain excellent value for money and a terrific opportunity for our children.

Uniformed Organisations: I would commend to you the wealth of uniformed organisations that exist in our local community for boys and girls. Boys & Girls Brigade, Girl Guides & Scouts are all starting back over the next few weeks and are always keen to encourage new recruits. Details are being sent home today for those that have asked us to pass on places & times.

Learning Made Fun in P2/3: Here are a few snaps taken of recent learning in P2/3. Lots more photographs have been uploaded to the school website.



Windmill Club Extended Child Care For Week Commencing: Monday 8 th Sept. - (Costs: Up to 1hr = £2.50 or Longer than 1 hr up to 6pm = £8)					
Names of Child/ren:	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
Days Required:	Monday <input type="checkbox"/>	Tuesday <input type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday <input type="checkbox"/>	Thursday <input type="checkbox"/>	Friday <input type="checkbox"/>
Pick Up Time:	_____pm.	_____pm.	_____pm.	_____pm.	_____pm.

CLUBS REPLY SLIP

Complete as many child slots as required for clubs starting on Monday 15th September:

1 My child _____ (P_) will be attending the following clubs.

_____(Mon) _____(Tues) _____(Wed) _____(Thurs)

2 My child _____ (P_) will be attending the following clubs.

_____(Mon) _____(Tues) _____(Wed) _____(Thurs)

3 My child _____ (P_) will be attending the following clubs.

_____(Mon) _____(Tues) _____(Wed) _____(Thurs)

4 My child _____ (P_) will be attending the following clubs.

_____(Mon) _____(Tues) _____(Wed) _____(Thurs)

I enclose £_____ to cover the cost of clubs that require a contribution for the term (please refer to time-table). To ensure your child has a place, and that we have the correct amount of materials for each child, this must be returned and paid by Thursday 11th September. School bus available at 2.50pm only.

Signed: _____ (Parent)