

Knockloughrim Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Collection Parking

As you are aware the village is currently being used as a diversion due to ongoing roadworks, there is now a high volume of traffic passing through the village. I have raised concerns with the PSNI regarding this issue and they have been out on several occasions to help try and manage the situation. I would ask parents if possible to not double park outside the school gates and if parents are parked on the far side past the staff car park that they walk towards the main gate as pupils are not allowed to cross over the car park gate themselves. It would be greatly appreciated if parents would park at the play park car park and walk to collect pupils. We appreciate your support with these measures.

Parking spaces and traffic congestion has been an ongoing issue for several years, I have raised concerns with the Education Authority and I am pleased to announce that the Education Authority has approved a Traffic Management Scheme for our school. This will involve the creation of additional car parking spaces and a drop off zone. It is hoped that this work will begin in early 2023.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews will be taking place from Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October. School will be finishing at 1pm on these dates. Windmill will be open as normal Monday 24th to Thursday 27th October but will be closed on Friday 28th October.

The school bus will be running as normal each morning and at 1pm on Monday 24th, Tuesday 25th, Thursday 27th and Friday 28th October. The afternoon bus will not be running on Wednesday 26th October.

Harvest Service + Performances

All pupils will be taking part in a Harvest Service on Friday 28th October, this will be held in school and pupils should be in full uniform. Due to numbers parents are not able to attend this service, however parents are invited to attend a performance of Harvest class pieces on Thursday 27th October at 9.30am. This performance will be limited to one adult per family. Any adults attending must be booked in, please contact the school office if you would like to attend. School will also be taking a collection for Magherafelt Food Bank as part of our Harvest celebrations. Any donations will be greatly appreciated.

Half Term Holidays

School is closed Monday 31st October to Friday 4th November (inclusive) and reopens on Monday 7th November.

After School Clubs

Please note due to the 1pm finish there is no Multi Sports or Football the week beginning Monday 24th October. Multi Sports restarts on Monday 7th November and Football restarts on Tuesday 8th November.

Scripture Union

SU starts on Thursday 10th November. Please complete the online permission slip if you would like your child to attend.

PTA News

Dates for your Diary

PTA Family Quiz Night on Friday 21st October in Knockloughrim Presbyterian Church Hall. Further details are attached.

Windmill

Please ensure pupils are booked on a Monday morning.

Shoe Box Appeal

Please send any filled shoe boxes to school on or before Monday 24th October.

P6/7 Swimming

Please note there is no swimming for P6/7 on Friday 28th October.

Nut Awareness

Please remember to not to send foods that contain nuts, we have several pupils with nut allergies.

Yours faithfully,

S Finlay