

ENNISKILLEN MODEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

End of May/June 2024

Dear Parent

Much more detailed end of term guidance will be issued (with reports) towards the end of June. In the interim you may find the following information of interest.

Thank you for working alongside us in recent weeks.

By supporting our recent Book Fair, some £800 commission has been generated for the purchase of books to use in school. Thank you for the support.

After school activities (and Ju-jitsu after this Thursday, 30th) have now ended for the term. The after-school care club continues as normal and is open until 5.30p.m. daily.

Our website is reviewed periodically. This site along with Facebook, Text messages and Google Classrooms are the main modes of communication however we are looking into using a School App from September on. On the website we have recently added a few new links in response to what has become growing areas of concern/need in all schools:

1. The Safety Board for N. Ireland (SBNI) have recently developed a new **Online Safety Hub**. You may find the hub of interest to peruse. The link to the hub is contained within the Safeguarding tab on the top of the website's home page. There are also some other related links in this section which similarly may be of interest. This area has become a growing problem for many young people and vigilance is encouraged.
2. Also in this Safeguarding tab you will find a link to an **Early Intervention and Family Support Hub** – useful when you have concerns about your child's behaviour, presentation, suspected tendencies etc. Click on the 'Early Intervention and Family Support Hub' link – scroll down to 'Western Family Support Hubs' (CYPSP) and click on it to find the 'Fermanagh Referral Form' to self-refer. More information is also listed about this network at the end of the referral form. **Under Parents and SEN you will also find other links to help you navigate various levels of support, if required.**

Events to come: **SPORTS DAYS** (weather permitting). At time of print we are hoping to proceed. Please ensure your child has a coat in school on Friday in the event there is light rain. Parents are welcome to spectate:

FRIDAY, 31st May: 9.15 – P1; 10.30 – P2 and P3; 12.00 - P4 and P5; 1.30 – P6 and P7

GIVEN THE CURRENT FORECAST WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT THINGS WILL GO AHEAD AS PLANNED THIS FRIDAY. If not, you will be notified by text and an attempt will be made to reschedule things for a dry day in early June.

Seating will be available for parents beside the P3 classrooms (school side and facing Celtic Park) – access via the lower playground at the Castlecoole side of the school. The P.T.A. will make available some refreshments and this year all voluntary contributions on the day will be going to support the **NSPCC** – thank you. Several parents have kindly sponsored Sports Day and they will be acknowledged on the programmes – very much appreciated. This sponsorship helps to fund medals, provide ice cream, refreshments etc.

Theatre group visit – On Tuesday, 4th June a West Midlands Theatre group will be performing in school for all children – ‘**Sigurd and the Dragon**’. To cover some of the costs, we are asking that each child brings £1.00 on the day – thank you.

The **P7 Leavers’ Assembly** will take place on the evening of **Thursday, 20th June** (6.30p.m. on) – separate correspondence to parents of P7 pupils will be filtering home soon and will also include details about transition etc.

P.T.A. SUMMER FUN NIGHT (again, weather permitting) – **Tuesday, 25th June (6.00 to 8.00p.m.)** – precise details to follow.

The end of term is **Friday, 28th June** (earlier staggered closures) – 12.00 (P1, P2 and P3 classes) and 12.15 (P4, P5, P6 and P7 classes). There will be no after school club that afternoon.

SUMMER SCHEMES (x3) – please note accompanying details. There is much to keep the children entertained all summer. **A SLIGHT ALTERATION IS NOW REQUIRED DURING WEEK ONE DUE TO AN ELECTION TAKING PLACE IN SCHOOL THAT DAY.**

The pedestrian lights close to school should always be used by adults/pupils to access the school – thank you. The traffic is often busy and fast and great care needs to be taken. Roadworks can also add to the difficulties.

The after-school club is housed in the dining hall until 5.30p.m. – open to all P1 to P7 pupils. A small, very reasonable fee applies with bills being issued monthly (June’s payment system will be modified a little). This facility will end on Thursday, 27th June and re-opens on Thursday, 29th August.

A recent testing programme has been completed (P3 and up) and once results have been analysed you will receive some information about how your child has performed. In line with other years, you will also receive an end of year report towards the end of June which will include details about next year.

NEXT SCHOOL YEAR: The school will re-open to pupils again ON THURSDAY, 29th AUGUST and a holiday list for the 2024/2025 school year has been posted on the website. This may help parents when planning.

ENROLMENT: PLEASE ENSURE THAT CHILDREN DUE TO START SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2025 ARE REGISTERED WITH HELEN. SHE MAINTAINS A DATABASE WHICH HELPS WHEN CIRCULATING APPLICATION DETAILS NEXT TERM.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any queries or problems.

Yours sincerely,

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