

JANUARY NEWSLETTER 2024

WELCOME BACK

A warm welcome back to a New Year at Gilford Primary where we will be working together alongside parents to ensure each child reaches his/her potential.

Dinner on Wednesday 3rd January will be one choice only which is burger, chips, and peas.



SWIMMING

P5-P7 WILL BE SWIMMING FROM Monday 8th January until 17th June 2024.

Please ensure £3.00 is paid weekly to ensure the cost of swim and transport to the pool is covered. We hope to complete swimming badges this term.

DECEMBER VALUE FRIENDSHIP

Congratulations to all pupils listed below who received certificates for displaying friendship in their classroom and playground.

P1 – Jore Gintalaite
P2 – Tommy Edgar
P3 – Danielle McInerney
P4 – Nate Bolton
P5 – Alfie Ferguson
P6 – Grace Cobley
P7 – Erin Dawson

MID TERM BREAK

School will be closed from Monday 12th February until Friday 16th February for mid-term break.

MATHLETICS



Congratulations to all pupils who received Mathletics certificates in our December assembly. We appreciate all parental support encouraging pupils to complete their set tasks. Some pupils even obtained Gold certificates this term. Keep on working on your Mathletics tasks you could be a Gold certificate winner next time.!

THANK YOU

A big thank you to all staff who contributed items to enable us to make two luxury hampers to raffle at our nativity play and our Morning of Christmas Cheer. Mrs Ward and Mrs Martin were the two lucky winners. £ 178.00 was raised for school funds. A big thank you to everyone for their support.

WRITTEN HOMEWORK

Written homework will begin for all pupils on Monday 8th January. Please ensure your child completes all set homework as homework is a reinforcement of work covered in class and is a preparation for P7 pupils for Post Primary education.



ARISE FITNESS

Arise Fitness will be running from Monday 8th January to Monday 5th February for P6/P7 only. Monday 19th February to Monday 25th March will be for P4/P5 only. After school classes ran by teachers will not be operating for pupils during Jan and Feb but will begin in March. More details of afterschool activities to follow in due course.

SHANNAGHMORE TRIP

All pupils going to Shannaghmore in May **MUST have all money paid NO LATER than Friday 1st March**. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

P7 HOODIES

Any P7 parent who wishes to order a leaver's hoody for their child please send £19 into the school office no later than Friday 9th February. The hoodies will be ordered week beginning 12th February. Thank you for your support. **Unfortunately, hoodies CANNOT be ordered after this date.**

TAG RUGBY

We are delighted to welcome back to our P7 PE class Mr Andrew Stevenson who will be coaching our P7 class in Tag Rugby. Andrew has returned from Wales and is working for Lurgan Rugby Club coaching junior rugby.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

We would like to remind all parents that if there are any issues with any aspect of school life could you please come and speak with Mrs Armstrong directly first so that it can be addressed and sorted. Unfortunately, at present Mrs Armstrong is hearing about them second-hand. Whilst this only applies to a very small number of cases, we would ask Mrs Armstrong has the opportunity to deal with it to avoid any misunderstandings.

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