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Newsletter - January 2022



Thank you to everyone for supporting our charities during last term. A total of £1072 was raised for the NI Children's Hospice Elmer appeal. £415.00 was also raised for the Save the Children Fund Christmas Jumper Day Appeal. Staff are very appreciative of the generosity of parents.

School Fund

School Fund (£10 per family) for Term 2 is now available for payment on the Schoolmoney app.

School Closure – Emergency Situations

In the event of the school being unable to open due to an emergency, parents are asked to note the following:

- Information will be sent by Seesaw.
- Information will be made available on the school website dundelainfants.co.uk
- Information will be made available on BBC Northern Ireland News website http://www.bbc.co.uk/ninews

Contact Details

Please remember to advise us in writing of any changes to contact details immediately they occur. This includes details of anyone you have given as a contact in case of emergencies. In particular, please ensure mobile numbers are kept up-to-date.

Punctuality

Please remember that school starts at 8.55am each morning and children are marked late if they arrive after this time. After 8.55am parents need to leave children in through the main front door.



PTA

A huge thank you goes out to our dedicated members of the PTA who have raised through their fantastic Christmas fundraising efforts, and sincere thanks to all parents for supporting us. Please do get in touch if you would be interested in joining the team!

Primary 3 Applications for Strandtown



All Primary 3 parents have received information on the application process for Strandtown. Please get in touch with the office staff in Strandtown (Tel: 02890674500), if you have any queries or issues with the application process. It is important that applications are made now to ensure a Primary 4 place for September.



Application for Nursery and Primary 1 For September 2022 Now Open

As you are aware from previous newsletters the process for making application to school and nurseries for September 2022 is an online process. All details are on the Education Authority website www.eani.org.uk.

Click on the Admissions tab for all the details.

The closing date is Friday 28 January 2022 at 12.00 noon. Please remember that birth certificates, proof of address and any other documentation relating to any of your preferred choice of schools/nurseries must be submitted via the online hub as soon as possible after making application and not later than Friday 4 February 2022 at 12.00noon.

Those who make an application to nursery and tick the social disadvantage criterion are required to submit a Benefit Verification Form online by 4 February 2022 at 12.00noon, which will be sent to Social Security for verification by the Education Authority. Failure to submit this form will mean the child will not be considered under this criterion.

If you have difficulty accessing the Parent Portal, there is an EA Admissions Helpdesk 028 95985595. If any parents need any advice or information about the process, please make contact with school and we will endeavour to help you.



Diary dates:

Monday 14th February – Staff Development Day (school closed to pupils).

Tuesday 15th February to Friday 18th February- Half Term Holiday.

Week beginning 7th **March**- Parent Teacher Consultations- School closes at 1.00pm all week. Your child's teacher will send more details.

Wednesday 17th March- Staff Development Day (school closed to pupils).

Friday 8th April-School finishes at 12 noon.

Monday 11th April to Friday 22nd April- Easter Holidays

Monday 25th April- Term 3 starts



- Please show consideration for residents, staff and other parents when parking. We
 have had a number of complaints regarding parking in the area and the Community
 Police have been informed.
- Please remember that dogs are not permitted in the school grounds whether on a lead or being carried.
- Children are not permitted on the grassy areas of our grounds in the morning or at home time.
- Facemasks should be worn when on school grounds.

Thank you for your continued support,

S Wilson

Principal

