



## **DUNDELA INFANTS' SCHOOL**

### **NEWSLETTER – MAY 2019**

Dear Parents

**Term 3 will be very busy and will move very quickly. Please take time to read this newsletter and note the dates of the various activities.**

#### **SCHOOL CLOSURES TERM 3 – ELECTION, MAY DAY HOLIDAY & MAY BANK HOLIDAY**

As previously advised, the school building will be used as a Polling Station for the local elections on **Thursday 2 May 2019**. There will be no school on that date.

School will finish on Friday **3 May at 1.30pm** (after school dinner and packed lunch). School will be closed for the May Day holiday on Monday 6 May.

School will finish on Friday **24 May at 1.30pm** (after school dinner and packed lunch). School will be closed for a School Development Day on Monday 27 May.

***If European Elections are held, the school building will be used as a Polling Station on Thursday 23 May. We will keep you advised regarding this date.***

#### **CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS**

Class photographs will be taken on Wednesday 1 May. Please ensure that children are wearing school uniform.

#### **SCHOOL FUND**

School fund for Term 3 (£6 per family) should be returned in the attached envelope by Wednesday 15 May.

#### **P3 CLUBS**

As previously advised, there are no P3 Wednesday Clubs in Term 3.

Homework Club will continue on Mondays and Tuesdays during Term 3 until the end of May.

Mondays – 29 April, 13 & 20 May

Tuesdays – 30 April, 7, 14, 21 & 28 May

#### **ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2019**

Letters regarding admissions for both Nursery and Primary 1, along with intake information, will be sent to parents by post from school on Thursday 9 May 2019.

#### **P1 INTAKE MEETING**

A meeting for parents of children who will be starting P1 in September 2019 will take place on Tuesday 28 May at 7.30pm (uniform sales 7.00pm, meeting starts 7.30pm). Children who are not in Dundela Nursery Classes will visit school on Wednesday 5 June. School will finish at 12.15pm for the current P1 children on that day. Separate details will be given to P1 children closer to the date.

### **UNIFORM**

We will be holding our Uniform Shop for the purchase of Uniform for September 2019 on Wednesday 29 May and Thursday 30 May from 1.30pm. Order forms will be sent home prior to those dates.

### **P3 TRANSFER TO STRANDTOWN**

Details will be available towards the end of May regarding the transfer to Strandtown. A meeting for parents will be held on Wednesday 29 May at 7.00pm in Strandtown. P3 children will visit Strandtown on Monday 17 June during the morning.

### **E-SAFETY EVENING**

Please see details on the back of this Newsletter concerning an E-safety evening in Belmont Primary School to which parents from our four local schools are invited. Please return the reply slip as soon as possible if you would like to book places.

### **SPORTS MORNING**

We are planning to hold a Sports Morning on Friday 24 May in the grounds of Dundela Football Club (beside the school). There will be two sessions and parents are invited to attend. Nursery/P1 will be from 9.30-10.30am and P2/P3 will be from 11.00am-12.00noon. Further details will be sent home shortly.

### **PTA NEWS**

On Sunday 5 May two relay teams will take part in the Belfast City Marathon. Details have been sent home previously and are available on our website. If you know any of the members of the team personally I know they would appreciate you sponsoring them. Alternatively, you may wish to send a donation in the envelope supplied or donate to the Crowdfunding Just Giving Page set up by Andrew Day; the link to this is available under PTA Marathon Update on our website [dundelainfants.co.uk](http://dundelainfants.co.uk). Loose change can also be thrown into buckets on Wednesday 1 and Friday 3 May.

The final PTA event of the school year will be the Family Barbecue & Fun Night on Friday 7 June from 6.30-8.30pm. Lots of helpers will be needed to assist at this event. Further details will be sent home at a later date. A PTA meeting to finalise arrangements will be held later in the month – date/time to be confirmed.

Yours faithfully

**S H MACKEY**  
**Principal**

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

May	Assessments begin
Wed 1 May	Class Photographs
Thursday 2 May	School Closed – Building being used as Polling Station
Friday 3 May	School finishes 1.30pm (after school dinners/packed lunches)
Monday 6 May	May Day Holiday

Wednesday 15 May	School Fund due
Friday 24 May	Sports Morning – Dundela Football Ground (beside school) <b>School finishes 1.30pm</b> (after school dinners/packed lunches)
Monday 27 May	School Development Day – Children do not attend
Tues 28 May	P1 Intake Meeting for parents 7.30pm (Uniform from 7.00pm)
Wed 29 & Thurs 30 May	Uniform Shop 1.30–2.30pm (Hall)
Wednesday 29 May	P4 Intake Meeting Strandtown 7.00pm – for P3 parents
Wednesday 5 June	P1 Direct Entry Children visit - <b>Current P1 children finish 12.15pm</b>
Friday 7 June	PTA Barbecue & Fun Night 6.30-8.30pm
Monday 17 June	P3 Children visit Strandtown
Wednesday 19 June	Reports go home
Thursday 20 June	P3 End of Term Assembly for P3 parents 1.30pm
Monday 24 June	Children meet new teachers
Thursday 27 June	Fun Day – No Uniform
Friday 28 June	Last day of term. School finishes 12.15pm. No Uniform

## BELMONT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents,

We recognise that children are growing up in a very digital age and the risk around using internet/social media/ online games and apps and general on-line safety remains a constant concern. Technology progresses rapidly and as parents and teachers we need to have the essential knowledge to equip both our children and ourselves to use the internet safely and avoid potential risk and harm.

We are pleased to be able to offer an evening at Belmont Primary School, on Monday 13th May 2019 from 7- 9 pm regarding all aspects of keeping safe online. Detective Sergeant Elaine McCormill will be our guest speaker and she deals with internet safety and child protection on a daily basis. Areas covered will include the dangers around general internet use as well as:

Privacy	Social Media	Online reputation
Gaming	Photographs/Webcams	Age of Consent

Potential consequences

There will also be an O2 Guru on site for any technical questions.

This evening will be open to all four schools and places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Please complete the form below to book a space at what we know will be a very important talk. Please note that due to the sensitive nature of this topic, it is only open to over 18s.

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Principal

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I would like to book a place at the E-Safety Evening on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm at Belmont Primary School. (Maximum of 2 places per family please)

NAME OF PARENT/ GUARDIANS WISHING TO ATTEND:

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