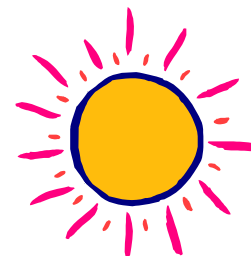




## NEWSLETTER - JUNE 2019



Dear Parents

### **SPORTS MORNING**

Thank you for your support for our Sports Morning held at the end of May. The children enjoyed practising and taking part. Special thanks to Dundela Football Club for permitting us to use their grounds and to the parents who assisted with arrangements on the day. Thank you for your donations to the Mary Peters Trust which amounted to £175.

### **UNIFORM**

As advised, the uniform shop was open at the end of May and any uniform ordered by the order forms has been sent home. If you have still to purchase uniform, please send in the order form by Friday 14 June. As the school office is extremely busy at the end of June and the start of September it would be appreciated if parents would ensure that all uniform items are purchased by this date.

### **HATS / SUNSCREEN**

In anticipation of warm and sunny weather during June we would advise that children should bring a hat or cap to school to be worn when they are in the playground. If it appears that the sun will be quite strong, parents are advised to put sunscreen on children prior to school.



### **ANNUAL REPORTS**

Annual Reports will be sent home on Wednesday 19 June. Percentage attendance (up to 31 May) is recorded on the Report. Enclosed with the Report will be an extract from the Department of Education leaflet about attendance. You are asked to note that attendance **below 85%** is considered 'very poor' and details are forwarded to the Educational Welfare Department of the Education Authority who collate attendance information to be sent to the Department of Education. The attendance for the full school year for each child is collected through the annual school census.

Please remember to return the reply slip to indicate that you have received and read the report. Parents are invited to make a comment about their child's progress.

### **CLASSES FOR SEPTEMBER 2019**

Details of your child's teacher and room for September will be given with the Annual School Report. The children will have an opportunity on the afternoon of Monday 24 June to meet their new teacher and see their classroom. If for any reason your child will not be returning in September, please advise School immediately so that we have an indication of places available for September.

### **TERM DATES/HOLIDAY LIST 2019-2020**

Attached to the April Newsletter was a sheet which detailed term dates and holidays for 2019-2020. You are asked to note that school will start on Friday 30 August from 8.55am – 12.15pm for P2/P3 children. There will be no dinners or packed lunches. Parents of children starting P1 received details of starting dates and times at the P1 Parents' Intake Meeting. **A copy of the term dates and holidays can be viewed on the school website [dundelainfants.co.uk](http://dundelainfants.co.uk).**

### **FREE SCHOOL MEALS**

Parents of children who are currently entitled to Free School Meals should have received a form by post from the Education Authority to claim for Meals/Uniform Grant for 2019/2020 school year. **It is vital that this form is returned to the Education Authority as soon as possible** in order that it is processed prior to the new school year. Only one form should be returned by each family, listing the names of all children who are of school age, including those due to start Nursery. We have been advised that all names will be removed from the list on 30 June and we will then receive a new list at the end of August. Until children's names are on the list we will be unable to provide free school meals. If you have not received this form please contact (90564000) Education Authority – Belfast Region, Free School Meals Department, in the first instance. Information about how you qualify to be entitled and forms for new families are available from the School Office.

### **PTA NEWS**

Thank you to those parents and staff who took part in the two relay teams and finished in very good times. To date this event has raised over £700 – thank you to the runners and those who gave donations.

### **PRIMARY 1 – 3 FUN DAY – Thursday 27 June**

P1-P3 children will take part in a number of fun activities at school. A mid-morning snack will be provided by school and a picnic lunch will be provided by the School Meals Kitchen for all P1-3 children in place of the usual school dinner. We are asking that those who normally take packed lunches pay for a school meal (£2.60). Further details regarding payment will be sent home closer to the date along with information for each year group. **School for all children will finish at 2.15pm as normal.**

### **READING/LIBRARY BOOKS**

Please remember to return all reading books and library books to school.

### **SUMMER ACTIVITIES**

A number of groups and organisations leave information in school regarding summer schemes and sports activities during the summer holidays. These are available in the front entrance hall. If interested, please feel free to come and collect information.

Finally, on behalf of the staff, may I thank you as parents for your support during this school year. A number of parents will end their association with Dundela as their youngest child transfers to Strandtown and we thank you for your involvement in the life of the School.

*Best Wishes for an enjoyable summer break.*

Yours faithfully

**S H MACKEY**  
Principal



### **DATES**

**Friday 7 June**

PTA Barbeque & fun Night 6.30-8.30pm (by ticket only)

**Monday 17 June**

P3 children visit Strandtown during the morning

<b>Wednesday 19 June</b>	P1-P3 Reports go home. You are asked to return the acknowledgement slip along with any comments by Monday 24 June.
<b>Thursday 20 June</b>	P3 Leavers assembly for parents 1.30pm
<b>Monday 24 June</b>	P1 & 2 children meet their new teacher during the afternoon
<b>Thursday 27 June</b>	Fun Day – No Uniform <b>School finishes 2.15 pm</b> Last Day Nursery Waiting Class
<b>Friday 28 June</b>	Last day of term. No uniform. School finishes at <b>12.15pm</b> <b>No dinners or packed lunch</b>
<b>Friday 30 August</b>	School starts for P2 & P3 children School will finish at 12.15pm No dinners or packed lunches  Dinners/packed lunches will start on Monday 2 September £2.60 per day - £13.00 per week