

***** ****** February's Monthly Newsletter ****

Dear Parents,

Whilst we hope the majority of the winter weather is now behind us, please continue to take care if our road is icy in the morning and send your child in with warm outdoor clothing so they can enjoy the snow if it arrives.

February is already set to be a busy month, with P7 Transfer Meetings, Wee Critters Workshops and C.A.T.C.H. starting this week. Details of our class at Ballymena Festival has now been released and we will also be holding Pupil Progress meetings after half term. We look forward to sharing your child's progress with you . Appointment times will be sent out shortly.

Emily McCaffery



Dates for February

Thursday 1st Monday 4th Tuesday 5th Tuesday 5th Tuesday 5th

- CAT 4 Testing continues in P4 and P6 P6 Robotics Roadshow, Dunclug P7 Transfer Meetings Safer Internet Day **Day 100!**
- Tuesday 5th Tuesday 5th Tuesday 12th 18th to 22nd Tuesday 26th
- Wee Critters Workshops 1-3pm C.A.T.C.H. ASC Begins 3-4pm Cancer Focus Workshops HALF TERM (SCHOOL CLOSED) Ballymena Festival



<u>Day 100!</u> Tuesday 5th February 2019

Children will enjoy a day of fun numeracy activities.



Once a week, take a peek!

Head lice in children of primary school age continues to be a problem. At the moment we are receiving an increasing number of reports of head lice in school.

Head lice are well camouflaged and hide when disturbed by combing. They do not always cause itching, particularly when recently arrived on the head. They may also be few in number and quick inspection is unlikely to detect them.

Head lice cannot fly, jump or swim, but spread by climbing from head to head. Anyone can catch them, but children, who have head to head contact, either at school or during play, are most commonly affected. They are not fussy about hair length or condition. Clean hair is no protection, although regular hair washing and combing sessions offer a good

opportunity to detect head lice and arrange treatment if discovered.

Please help to prevent head lice circulating by regular checks. If all cases are identified and treated successfully at the time, there will be fewer opportunities for lice to circulate amongst our children and their families.



<u>Safer Internet Day 2019</u>

Tuesday 5th February is Safer Internet Day 2019. All pupils will once again engage in a range of activities to highlight the importance of staying safe online throughout this week.

We are delighted to be able to supply all parents and carers with a practical guide, including activities and games to promote internet safety at home. It would be wonderful if every family could have an internet free day and we look forward to hearing any feedback you might have about this resource. There is also lots of information available online at https:// www.esafety.gov.au/saferinternetday

<u>P7 Miniature Heroes</u>

Congratulations to all the P7 pupils who received their transfer test results last Saturday. They all worked extremely hard in preparing for the tests and should be very proud of the results they achieved.

We could not be prouder of the mature, responsible young people that all of our P7s have grown into.



Saturday 23rd March 2019

Please save the date for our Spring Fayre. It would be great to see all of you there.

If you would like any further information regarding the spring fayre and PTA meetings, please follow the PTA Facebook page or alternatively contact Louise Ferguson on 07752 659128 to pledge your support.

Looking for something fun to do as a family in Half Term?

NI Science Festival Roadshow (Ballymena)

Tuesday 19 February

Suitability: All Ages

Two Sessions: 10.00am - 1.00pm & 2.00pm - 5.00pm

£3 / £10 Family (2 adults, 2 children)



Ballymena Festival

Children are taking part in this years Ballymena Festival on Tuesday 26th February at the Braid Arts Centre.

Parents/ Grandparents are welcome to come along and support their children.

The class entered is due to start at 2.55pm however it might start earlier therefore if you do intend to come we would advise that you be there 15 mins earlier.







Dates for March

Thursday 7th	World Book Day
Monday 11th	British Science Week begins
Friday 15th	Red Nose Day
Friday 22nd	Spring Fayre set up @ 2pm
Saturday 23rd	Spring Fayre

Sunday 31st Mother's Day



Remember for any updates on events throughout the month or to view event photos you should visit our school website, kirkinriolaps.co.uk