



Carniny Primary School

Parents' Newsletter



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House Points



Having taken December/January's House Points into account the totals are:

Braid 1284- Bann 1068
Maine 1108 Kells 1170

Congratulations to the following children who were Boy/Girl of the month in each House during December/January.

Braid

Girl: Grace Warnock/Ella Graham

Boy: Ollie Eaton/Matthew Wylie

Bann

Girl: Jude McConnell
Boy: Sam Maxwell

Maine

Girl: Lucy McDonald
Boy: Joel Murray

Kells

Girl: Alisha Dawson
Boy: Craig McQuillan

High Flyers



The most recent winners of our High Flyer award are:

P1: Mya Rose Jobson, Isaac Harvey, Adam Rock, Leo Andrews

P1/2: Jack Hosseini, Georgia Kitson, Tom Bailie, Jayden Hunter

P2: Alanna Sutters, Madelyn Cairns, Robin Andrews, Mia McCarthy

P3: Evie Niblock, Niamh McMullan, Penny Dawson, Ava Gray

P3/4: Harry Robb, McCauley Shields, Jack McKendry, Rebecca Kelly

Half Term/Exceptional Closures

School will be closed for Half Term Holiday and Exceptional Closures from Monday 13 - Friday 17 February and will re-open on Monday 20 February.

Exceptional Closure in May

An Exceptional Closure was scheduled for Tuesday 2 May 2017. Unfortunately it has been necessary to change this date to **Monday 15 May 2017**.

Elections



The school will be closed on Thursday 2 March as the building will be used as a Polling Station in the forthcoming elections.

Netball Team



Congratulations to all girls in the Netball team for their great successes in recent matches:

Broughshane (2) Carniny (10)
The Diamond (7) Carniny (8)
Camphill (7) Carniny (13)
Buick Mem (2) Carniny (20)
Carnaghts (3) Carniny (11)



I wish the team every success in the forthcoming tournament at the Seven Towers Leisure Centre.

Sainsbury's Active Kids

We are collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers.



All vouchers should be given to your child's teacher or to Mrs Shevlin/Mrs Anderson in the school office.

Travelling Book Fair

The Travelling Book Fair is visiting the school on Thursday 23 and Friday 24 February 2017. This provides a great opportunity to encourage reading and also benefit the school by way of providing books in commission for the classrooms. There will be books available for children of all ages and abilities.

The Book Fair information booklet, giving an indication of titles available, will be given to the children.



Classes will be visiting the

event in the Assembly Hall at the following times:

Thursday 23 February

9.15-9.45 Mrs McCombe
9.45-10.15 Miss Brooks
10.15-10.45 Mrs McClean
11.00-11.20 Mr McCullough
11.20-11.45 Mr Fisher

Friday 24 February

9.15-9.45 Mrs Wylie
9.45-10.15 Mr Church
10.15-10.45 Mr Calwell
11.00-11.20 Miss Steele
11.20-11.45 Mr Armstrong

Monday 27 February

2.00-3.00 Final Purchasing

Parents are welcome to attend this book event and assist children in the selection of books.

School Photographer



"Cool for School Photography" will be in school on Wednesday 8 March to take individual and family photographs.

All children are expected to wear the formal school uniform (white shirt, tie, grey trousers/skirt white knee length socks (girls) and black shoes.

Families with pre-school children should come to school at the beginning of the school day from 8.30am.

Carol Service



The school has a DVD of the Christmas Carol Service. Copies are available for purchase from the school office (£3 each).

Polli:Nation Project 2016/17



Carniny PS successfully applied to become a Polli:Nation school (3 year project) on the 29/01/2016. **Polli:Nation** is a UK wide initiative supporting pupils from 260 schools to turn their school grounds and other local walk-to spaces into pollinator friendly habitats.

The aim of the project is to engage and motivate children and young people to protect pollinating insect species in the UK and to increase the number and diversity of pollinating insect species in school grounds and local community spaces across the UK.



High-visibility Vests

As you are aware, this year we are working alongside Sustrans to encourage the pupils of Carniny to actively travel to school, through walking, cycling or scooting. We are pleased to announce that each **child in Carniny will receive a high-visibility vest, provided by 'hivis.co.uk'**. We ask that you encourage your child(ren) to wear these whilst walking, cycling or scooting to and from school, in order to allow them to be clearly seen by drivers and other road users. Thank you for your support in promoting active travel at Carniny Primary School.

Leaving to and Collecting Children from school



When leaving and collecting children to and from school please consider the safety of all children by not double parking on the Old Cullybackey Road. All drivers should find the nearest parking space, allow children to dismount on the kerbside and walk safely to school.



School Dinners - Reminder

Since the beginning of January school dinners cost £2.55 each day.

Anti Bullying and Positive Behaviour Policies

Thank you to all parents who completed and returned the questionnaires concerning the above policies.

98.75% of parents responded positively to both policies. Some additional comments were also provided.

Social Media Policy



With the increasing number of social media sites the school Governors have recently approved a Social Media Policy for our school. A copy has been attached and I would ask you take time to read this policy and make yourselves aware of the school's expectations of parents, pupils and staff in this area.



Walk to School Week



Another Walk to School Week has been scheduled for the week commencing Monday 20 February. There will be two starting/meeting points:

- Carniny Road, near the entrance to Carnview Park
- Old Cullybackey Road, near the entrance to Sunningdale Park

Teachers will be based at each starting point where pupils will receive a coloured sticker to mark their participation in the Walk to School initiative.

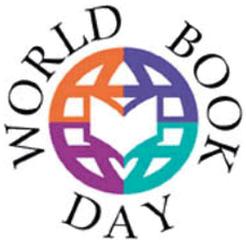
Certificates will be awarded to children who walk on 4 or 5 mornings during the week.

Please note parents must decide if pupils should be accompanied on the walk to school.

Thanking you for your support in what should be a memorable experience for the boys and girls.



World Book Day



The children will be celebrating World Book Day on Friday 3 March. Activities will be organised with a particular focus on reading. This will be a non-uniform day -All children should come to school dressed as a book character with whom they are familiar . More details will follow.

Raymond Ross
Principal



