



# Carniny Primary School



## Parents' Newsletter

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### High Flyers



The most recent winners of our High Flyer award are:

- P1: Isaac Bailey, Tyler Mairs, Jacob Ferguson
- P1/2: Harry Robinson, Jersey Dunlop, Ewan McNeill
- P2: Mason Dunlop, Jack O'Rourke, Mason McNeill
- P3: Ellen O'Neill, Ibbey McConnell, Grace Alexander
- P3/4: Faye Torrington, Lukas Stephan, Sam Speers

### House Points



Having taken September's House Points into account the totals are:

Braid- 346    Bann - 289  
 Maine 309    Kells - 296

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

### Braid

Girl: Ella Graham  
 Boy: Robbie Mather

### Bann

Girl: Lucy McAllister  
 Boy: Sam Donnelly

### Maine

Girl: Hannah Ramsey  
 Boy: Luke McCorrison

### Kells

Girl: Sydney Young  
 Boy: Adam Burnside

### Blythswood Shoebox Christmas Appeal



Christian Care for Body & Soul

It would be greatly appreciated if we could have your support for this year's Blythswood Shoebox Appeal.

Filled shoeboxes should be placed in the school corridor outside the school office by Friday 10 November 2017.

Additional Shoebox leaflets are available from the school office.

### Half Term/Exceptional Closure

The School will be closed from Monday 30 October - Friday 3 November 2017 and will re-open on Monday 6 November 2017

### School Council/Eco Committee



The School Council and ECO Committee have recently been reconstituted for the 2017 2018 School Year.

Congratulations to the following children who have been elected:

	School Council
P3/4	Jude Crawford
P4	Emily Legg Charlie King
P5	Sophie Kerr Billy Wylie
P6	Emily Dale Scott Watterson
P6/7	Thomas Allenby Robbie Mather
P7	Sam Gilkinson Cameron Kerr

	Eco-Committee
P3/4	Jack McPeake
P4	Ava Gray Evie Hill
P5	Jude McConnell Millar Dowds
P6	Ryan Stephens Gemma McClelland
P6/7	Emma Livingstone Oliver Eaton
P7	Ella Graham Evie McFarland



## School Driveway



A number of adults and children are still accessing the school by walking on the driveway. I wish to emphasise this is a road and not a footpath.

All children and adults must enter the school grounds via the pedestrian gates/pathways.

If childminders or grandparents drop off or collect your children from school please inform them of this safety instruction.

## School Car Park



The school car park is only for staff vehicles. Due to the limited space it is unable to accommodate other car users with the exception of disabled drivers who can utilise either of the two designated parking bays.

A pupil at the school requires one of the spaces on a daily basis.

I would ask other disabled car holders to take this into consideration when parking especially if there is no requirement to dismount the vehicle or collect a P1, P1/2 or P2 child from the front door.

## Car Parking on Old Cullybackey Road

Parking continues to be a problem on the Old Cullybackey Road particularly in relation to

the "Keep Clear Zone" at the main pedestrian entrance.

This was created to provide a safe route for pedestrians and children crossing the road. However cars continue to park in this zone making it extremely dangerous for children crossing the road and causing traffic congestion.

I ask all drivers to **consider the safety of our children** before parking cars on double yellow lines and keep clear zones.

## Flu Vaccinations

P1-7 children will be given their flu vaccination on Monday 6 November.

## Friends of Carniny Primary School



At the Annual General Meeting of the Friends of Carniny Primary School the following were elected to the committee:

President	Mr I Somerville
Chairperson	Mrs J King
Secretary	Miss L Doole
Treasurer	Mrs J O'Boyle
	Mrs P Speers

The committee would value the support of all parents willing to assist in anyway with the various activities organised for this school year.

If you are able to help in any way please give your name to the school office.

## Annual Report of Board of Governors 2016 2017

Copies of the Annual Report of the Board of Governors for 2016/2017 can be downloaded from the school website in the publications section or can be obtained from the school office.

## Head Lice

I would encourage all parents to regularly check children's hair for headlice and treat if necessary. An information leaflet has been placed on the school website for your information.

## Schools NI App



Our school is now listed in the Schools NI app which allows you to view school updates and receive messages via your phone or tablet. The app is available on both Apple and Android devices and will give you access to our school news, calendar events and letters (including newsletters and dinner menu).

To install the app, open Carniny Primary School website on your phone or tablet and click the "Download App" button that



appears at the top of the screen.

Next time you open the School NI App our school will be listed at the top of the list. You don't need to have the app open to receive messages.

To receive an email of any new letter saved on the website please insert your **email address** in the box on the front page of the website and press subscribe. **We ask all parents who have an email address to do this.**

### Friends of Carniny (FOCPS) - Christmas Fair



The Christmas Fair is now scheduled for Friday 8 December 2017. We look forward to seeing you at this event. More details to follow.

If anyone is free and would be willing to help with the event please contact the school office. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

### Christmas Entertainment



This year all P1-7 pupils will have the opportunity of going to the IMC Cinema Ballymena to watch a newly released film on Tuesday 19 December 2017. Further information will be

distributed to all children at a later date.

### FOCPS Christmas Cards



The children have designed their own Christmas Cards. Their designs will go to the printers, where a proof for each one will be printed and returned for the children to take home.

You will have the opportunity to purchase their unique design on a number of products.

Last year their designs proved to be very popular throughout the school. This year I'm sure you will not be disappointed.

You will be under no obligation to purchase the items but please remember that in buying any of these products you are supporting your school and it will be very much appreciated. The Friends of Carniny Primary School is grateful for the continued support of parents.

### P1- 7 Carol Service



All parents and friends are invited to attend the P1-7 Carol Service in Wellington Church on Monday 18 December at 6.30pm (Please note this date has been rescheduled from the date on calendar issued to parents in August).

Information regarding the purchase of tickets will be issued in our November Newsletter.

### Child Protection



Any concerns regarding Child Protection matters should be reported to Mr I Somerville (Designated teacher for Child Protection) or Mr D Calwell (Deputy Designated Teacher for Child Protection). The Designated Governor for Child Protection is Mrs C McKay.

A copy of the Child Protection Policy can be viewed on the school website or obtained from the school office.

### Easy Fundraising

Carniny Primary School has now registered with [easyfundraising.org](http://easyfundraising.org) in order to raise much needed school funds. A link can be found on the school website and we would love for you to join us in this venture.

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be collecting free donations for Carniny Primary School?

There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva and Sainsbury's - **it doesn't cost you a penny extra!** It's as easy as 1, 2, 3...



1. Head to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/carninyprimaryschool/> and join for free.
  2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
  3. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause for no extra cost whatsoever!
- There are no catches or hidden charges and Carniny Primary School will be really grateful for your donations.  
Thank you for your support.

### **Leaving Children to School (8.30-8.45am)**



Thank you for encouraging your children to walk into school independently in the mornings (8.30-8.45). The number of adults on the school site has been significantly reduced making Carniny a safer place for all children.

Thank you for your support.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Raymond Ross".

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Raymond Ross  
Principal

