



Carniny Primary School

Parents' Newsletter



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House Points



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

Braid 1128	Bann 1035
Maine 961	Kells 946

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

Braid

Girl : Harry Robb
Boy: Emily Rainey

Bann

Girl: Alfie McKee
Boy: Holly Fisher

Maine

Girl: Jamie Smyth
Boy: Ellie Kitson

Kells

Girl: David Holden
Boy: Chloe brown

High Flyers



The most recent winners of our High Flyer award are:

- P1: Harry Foster, Thomas Courtney, Calum Montgomery
- P1/2: Hannah Patterson, Hannah Porter
- P2: Ben Coulter, Joshua Toner
- P3: Ella Tweed, Sofia Gregg
- P3/4: Liam Anderson, Katie Kennedy

Parent/ Teacher Meetings

This term's Parent - Teacher meetings for Years 1-7 are scheduled for Tuesday 6 February (3-4pm), Wednesday 7 February (1-4.30pm), and Thursday 8 February (1-4.30pm)

Appointments can be made using the "PEM" module via the Parentmail website or app from 9am on Monday 29 January.



The earlier you do this the more choice you will have. The school day will finish at 1pm on Wednesday 7 and Thursday 8 February for all P1-P7 children. The school meals kitchen will provide meals as usual.

Although parents of Primary 7 children will be having their Transfer Interviews with myself in the week commencing 29 January 2018 they can still make an appointment to see their child's teacher during the week of interviews if required.

Please complete the attached pro forma confirming you are aware of the early closures on Wednesday 7 February and Thursday 8 February.

Car Parking

When leaving children off in the morning and collecting again in the afternoon I would ask parents to show



consideration to local residents by not obstructing driveways and parking on double yellow lines/Keep Clear Zones in Carnview Park and on the Old Cullybackey Road.

Parents should **not** use school car park to drop off pupils (Only cars displaying Disabled Badges are permitted to park in the Disabled Parking bay).

The area can be patrolled by Traffic Wardens at any time and parking fines will be imposed if necessary.

School Driveway

Please remember the school driveway is not a pedestrian route. In the interests of children's safety all children and adults must only access the school site through the pedestrian gates and paths.

School Security



To enhance the security of the school premises we have been closing the upper pedestrian gate on the Old Cullybackey Road during the school day. I would ask that all visitors and parents using this gate remember to close it securely when arriving at and leaving the school premises.

Dark Mornings - High Visibility Clothing

We encourage all children for safety reasons, especially those walking to school to wear a reflective bib/armband. Last year we provided all children with a reflective bib through the Sustrans Active School programme. It would be ideal for children to wear these over their coats.

Morning Arrangements (8.30-8.45am)

In the interest of safety we ask that all children walk into school independently from the school gates each morning. (Children in P1 and P2 can still be assisted by our P7 children if required).

On arriving at school children should enter through the external doors adjacent to their classrooms and P4 and P6 children should proceed to their own mobile.

Older children leaving off younger brothers and sisters to the P1 and P2 end of the school should exit the school and proceed to the rear of the school building and enter through the door appropriate for their classroom.

Half Term/Exceptional Closure

The school will be closed for Half Term Holiday and an Exceptional Closure from Monday 12 - Friday 16 February and will re- open on Monday 19 February.

School Self Evaluation

During the next few months the school will be going through a process of self-evaluation in preparation for the writing of our next School Development Plan (2018-2021). This will involve completion of questionnaires by Parents, Staff and Pupils.

The first of these questionnaires is related to our School Vision (A friendly forward thinking school in which everyone is valued and encouraged to be successful).

This is a very short questionnaire and will only take a few minutes to complete.

The questionnaire can be accessed by using the link below.

http://sdp.wholeschool.ie/carninyps_3016129/questionnaire/23a194b9-faa0-4352-b415-79a9168e290a



It would be appreciated if the questionnaire is completed by as many families as possible no later than 26 January.

The more evidence we acquire will result in a more accurate analysis.

Easy Fundraising



Please remember to register with the Easy fundraising app. All on-line shopping using this app will generate funds for our school and not cost you a penny!

We have currently 36 followers and to date we have raised £87.47 for Carniny. If all parents registered we have the potential to raise so much more. We ask for your support.

NSPCC - Parents' Talk Tuesday 30th January 2018 2-3pm

Parents are invited to attend a safeguarding information session taken by NSPCC in school on Tuesday 30 January (2-3pm).

A letter has been issued to parents. Please return the completed pro forma, indicating your intention to attend.

Peanut Allergies - Nut Free Zone



There are a number of children in school who have an allergy to peanuts.

To minimise the risk of children taking severe anaphylactic reactions to peanuts we would ask that children do not consume peanut products in school including **Nutella Spreads and Bars**. Please help us make Carniny a Nut Free Zone.

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 recently updated (November 2017) copy of the Child Protection Policy can be viewed on the school website or obtained from the school office.

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

Raymond Ross
Principal

