



Carniny Primary School

Parents' Newsletter



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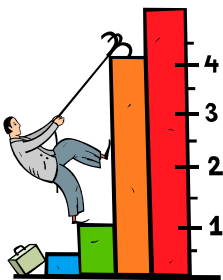
High Flyers



Congratulations to the most recent winners of our High Flyer award:

P1: Meadow Barr, Caleb Heaney, Ibrahim Mohammed
P1/2: Luci-Lee Lamont, Anna Ford, Joshua Toner
P2: Abbi Arbuthnot, Evie McWhirter, Matyas Noss
P3: Harry Stirling, Emma Carroll, Ellen Patterson
P3/4: Joshua Shields, Harry Robb, McCauley Shields

House Points



Having taken February/March's House Points into account the totals are:

Braid -1639 Bann 1434
Maine 1499 Kells 1576

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

Braid

Girl: Demi Mather, Sarah Livingstone,
Boy: Kai McCormick

Bann

Girl: Emily Reid, Abigail Cairns,
Boy: Alfie McKee

Maine

Girl: Sofia Stephan
Boy: Samuel Church

Kells

Girl: Hannah Brown
Boy: Jamie Gregg

School Photographer



The school photographer will return to school on Wednesday 17 May to take P1 & P7 Year Group photographs, the school orchestra and choir, football and netball teams.

Pupils involved must wear the formal school uniform for Year Group photographs, the orchestra and choir groups. Normal games kits must be worn for the team photographs.

Comic Relief



P6 pupils hosted a Comic Relief "Red Day" in the Assembly Hall on Friday 7 April 2017. Thank you all for supporting this event. The total amount raised was £904.

Musical Afternoon



Thank you to all parents and friends who supported our Annual Musical Afternoon on Thursday 6 April 2017. The event was a tremendous success with items performed by the school choir, orchestra and individual dancers.



Academic and Sporting Cups/Shields



All cups and shields required for Prize Giving this year should be returned to school by Friday 26 May.

Please ensure they have all been engraved.

School Closures

The school will be closed on the following days this term:

1 May	Holiday
15 May	Except Closure
29 May	Holiday
8 June	Election

Sports' Day



Weather permitting Sports' Day is scheduled for Friday 19 May.

P1-P3 9.15-11.30am

P4-P7 12.00-2.00pm

The school day for P1-3 children will end at 11.30am (Children will not stay for lunch).

In the event of Sports Day being postponed School meals will be available if required.

If we are unable to proceed with Sports Day on Friday 19 May we will try to reschedule it for Wednesday 7 June and if this date isn't suitable the next available dry day.

We hope you will be able to attend and give the children your support.

Sponsored Walk



A Sponsored Walk has been scheduled for Friday 9 June at Eaton Park. More details to follow.

Organisation of Classes

The school's policy on the Organisation of Classes has been updated for the 2017/2018 School Year. A copy of this policy has been attached.

Sainsbury Vouchers

We are still collecting Sainsbury vouchers.



All vouchers should be given to your child's teacher or to Mrs Shevlin/Mrs Anderson in the school office by Friday 26 May.

Carniny Carers at Carniny Primary (Wraparound Childcare Facility)

Carniny Carers at Carniny Primary School Wraparound Child Care facility is in operation each morning (7.45-8.30am) and afternoon (2.00-6.00pm). If you are interested in your child availing of this service please speak to Miss K McCartney. She can be contacted on the following mobile number - 07936454949 or through the school office (normal working hours).

The school has arranged with St Colmcilles' Primary School that registered members of the Carniny Carers can avail of child care at St Colmcille's Child Care facility during the summer holidays. Anyone interested should contact Miss McCartney.



FOCPS Fundraising Easter Dingbats Quiz



The winners of our recent
Easter Dingbats Quiz
were:

1st - Ruth McNougher
2nd - Buppa McIlrath
3rd - Pamela Loughlin

Thank you to all parents
and friends for supporting
this event which raised
£576.

All the money raised
through such fundraising
efforts is invaluable in
supporting the endeavours
of our school.

Head Lice

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

Raymond Ross
(Principal)





Carniny Primary School Organisation of Classes-2017/2018



The enrolment number of 283 pupils with approximately 40 children in each of the seven year groups necessitates the organisation of composite classes.

Primary 1-4 classes will be grouped by chronological age with the eldest children in one year group being placed with the youngest children in the higher year group.

P5-7 Classes will be grouped according to results in two GL Standardised Tests (Progress Test in English and Progress Test in Maths) sat at the beginning of May of the previous school year.

Children's standardised scores will be ranked and from this ranking pupils will be placed in an appropriate class.

Where the results indicate that pupils over or under achieved (+or- 10 from previous year's tests) a retest may be carried out. Consideration may also be given to other exceptional circumstances (eg sickness, teacher opinion) in deciding if a retest should be carried out.

In Key Stage 2 depending on the number of children in a year group the higher ranked children will be placed in composite classes.

Parents will be informed of class structures for the following school year in the first half of the summer term.

Details of the class to which the child has been allocated is recorded on the pupil's Annual Progress Report, issued on 19 June.

In exceptional circumstances (for example SEN, Twins) and following discussion with relevant stakeholders the principal may allocate a child to an alternative class.

Any concern regarding class placement should be discussed with the principal. If following discussion with the principal parents feel the process for class selection has not been applied fairly an appeal can be made to an Appeals Committee comprising 3 members of the Board of Governors. Their decision is final.

During the 2017/2018 School Year it is envisaged classes will be organised as follows (provisional):

P1	P1/2	P2	P3	P3/4	P4/5	P5	P6	P6/7	P7
24	12/12	25	31	12/17	21/8	27	29	12/20	30

