



Ashgrove Primary School Newtownabbey

Our Weekly Newsletter

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Rights Respecting Schools

Article 7

"Every child has the right to be registered at birth, to have a name and nationality and as far as possible to know and be cared for by their parents"

In School, we take care to recognise and celebrate the diversity in our school. We have pupils and families from many backgrounds and cultures which adds to the richness of the fabric of our school life.

Nativity and Christmas Carol Service

Our Nativity- Born in a Barn, will take place in school on **Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th December.** Pupils from P1-4 will be involved in the production. Yesterday, we sent home a note to P1-4 parents asking them to book tickets, please respond to this as soon as you can – tickets will sell very quickly. Rehearsals are well underway and this promises to be a real treat!

Our Christmas Carol Service for P5-7 parents will be held on **Friday 15th December, 9.30 am...** everyone is welcome. Light refreshments will be available after the Service.



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Date	Event
Tuesday 28 th November	P6M Assembly – 9.15 am (P6M parents invited)
Thursday 30 th November	PTA Christmas Fair ALL CHILDREN WILL GO HOME @ 2.00 PM
Friday 1 st December	Diabetes UK Assembly Teacher led After School Clubs FINISH for this term (resume on 15.01.18)
Saturday 2 nd December	AQE 3
Monday 5 th December	Payment due for P5-7 pantomime
Tuesday 5 th December	Primary 7 Annual Reviews
Wednesday 7 th December	P5-7 to MAC for Christmas Pantomime
Thursday 7 th December	Primary 7 invited to Glengormley High
Friday 8 th December	Nativity Dress Rehearsal (Ashgrove Nursery attending)
Saturday 9 th December	PTA Breakfast with Santa
Monday 11 th December	Open Night, Ashgrove Nursery, 6.00 pm
Tuesday 12 th December	Nativity- Born in a Barn, 9.30 am & 11.30 am (Parents, if they wish, may bring P1-4 children home after the 11.30 am show)
Wednesday 13 th December	Nativity- Born in a Barn, 9.30 am (Parents, if they wish, may bring their children home after the Nativity)
Thursday 14 th December	Choir to sing at Tesco, Northcott
Friday 15 th December	P5-7 Carol Service, 9.30 am
Monday 18 th December	Choir to Nursing Home
Tuesday 19 th December	OPEN DAY 9.30 am and 11.30 am
Wednesday 20 th December	Magic George to P1,2 & 3 Sustrans, Santa Hat Stroll and Walking Bus to School! SCHOOL COUNCIL CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY!
Thursday 21 st December	12.00 pm finish for Christmas

After School Clubs...

All teacher led after school clubs will **finish on Friday 1st December**. They will resume on **Monday 15th January 2017**.

Orchestra and Drama will have their own arrangements for finishing this term. Playsport and French will continue to run until the dates already provided to parents and **2.00 – 4.00 pm club will continue until Wednesday 20th December**.

Thank you for your co-operation

C Morrison



Santa Hat Stroll and walking bus

To get in the festive mood, on **WEDNESDAY 20th December** we are running a Santa Hat Stroll. Pupils and parents are encouraged to walk, cycle or scoot to school wearing their Santa hat (or other Christmas hats!).

For even more festive fun we are also running a walking bus on this morning – a walking bus is when a group of parents and children walk together from a designated meeting point to the school, “picking up” other parents and children along the way.

We will be meeting at the building in Glengormley Park, ready to leave at 8.30am. Our route will then take us along Carnmoney Road, Glebe Road West, Liscoole Park and Ashgrove Road to school, arriving in time for school.

This event is for pupils *and* parents/adults; all children must be accompanied **unless school holds permission for them to walk to school independently**. Please note any children on bikes or scooters should make their own way to school.

Safeguarding Reminders...

In Ashgrove Primary we have dedicated Safeguarding Team in school who work to ensure that Safeguarding messages are shared with all pupils, staff, visitors and parents in school.

If you have a worry or concern about any child in Ashgrove Primary you must contact a member of the Safeguarding Team...

Designated Teacher for Child Protection Mrs Luney (Primary 5)	Deputy Designated Teacher for Child Protection Miss McLaughlin (Primary 1)
Principal Mr Smith	Safeguarding Governor Mr Edwards

Our Safeguarding Policy and procedures are available on our website.



Celebrating Positive Behaviour in Ashgrove

STARS OF THE WEEK!

Our focus this week: Endeavour		
Primary 1 Miss Morrison Freya Millar	Primary 1 Miss McLaughlin Scarlet Blair	Primary 2 Miss McDowell Kyle Burns
Primary 2 Mrs Cartmill Thomas Holbrook	Primary 3 Mrs Douglas Coulter Gibson	Primary 3 Miss Crozier/Manion Hannah Darragh
Primary 4 Mrs Torrie Dean Wilson	Primary 4 Mr Hutcheson Lauren Beards	Primary 5 Mrs Luney Carson Black
Primary 5 Mrs Carberry Ethan Lucas	Primary 6 Mrs Ewing Anna Hedley	Primary 6 Mr Morrow Luke Hunter
Primary 7 Mr Agnew Kayleigh McTaggart	Primary 7 Miss Taylor Jessica Smith	Next week our focus is Behaviour

Glengormley Methodist Church

With thanks to the hard work of Primary 7 we have a beautiful Christmas Tree from our school on display in Glengormley Methodist Church. If you would like to see it feel free to pop in to Glengormley Methodist and have a look!

AQE Assessment- Good Luck!

Once again, we wish our Primary 7 pupils who are sitting the second transfer test tomorrow morning the very **BEST OF LUCK**. Teachers and other members of staff work hard to prepare children for these assessments. We will be thinking of you all!



P6 (Mr Morrow's Class) Assembly

Parents from Mr Morrow's class are invited to attend a special Assembly on Tuesday 28th November, 9.15 am. A note has already been sent home to P6M.

PTA Christmas Fair

As a reminder, our PTA Christmas Fair is on **THURSDAY 30TH NOVEMBER, 6.30 – 8.30 PM.** Please take note that all children will go home at the earlier time of 2.00 pm on Thursday 30th November.

Ashgrove Nursery, Open Night

Will be held on Monday 11th December, 6.00 – 7.30 pm.

Ballyhenry Nursery School, Open Afternoon

Wednesday 6th December, 2.30 – 4.30 pm.

School Dinner Menu, £2.60 per day

VEGETARIAN OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE EACH DAY

<p><u>Monday 27th November</u> Hot Dog, Beans, Chips, Mashed Potatoes & Tomato Sauce ~ Yoghurt & Fruit</p>	<p><u>Tuesday 28th November</u> Irish Stew & Crusty Bread or Ham & Cheese Panini Salad & coleslaw ~ Apple Crumble & Custard</p>
<p><u>Wednesday 29th November</u> Roast Beef, Turnip, Oven Roast & Mashed Potatoes & Gravy ~ Cracknel, Custard & Fruit</p>	<p><u>Thursday 30th November</u> Chicken Curry, Boiled Rice, Mixed Vegetables & Naan Bread ~ Cupcake & Fruit</p>
<p><u>Friday 1st December</u> Lasagne, Peas, Crusty Bread OR Fish Fingers, Peas, Mashed Potatoes ~ Jelly, Fruit & Ice cream</p>	<p>HEALTHY BREAK 30p per day Tuesday: Toast, Pear & Carrot Friday: Crusty Bread, Red Grapes & Celery</p>

