



CPS News

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12th December 2017

Carol singing

Members of the school choir will be singing at Sainsbury's on Monday 18th December.

If you are out and about on Monday morning please drop in and say hello.



Christmas Greetings



May I take this opportunity on behalf of the Pupils, Staff and Governors of the school to wish you all a very **Happy Christmas**.

School will close at 2pm On Thursday 14th & Friday 15th December. The 2 o'clock bus will be running as normal.

School re-opens after the holidays on Wednesday 3rd January at 9.00am.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT ENTRY TO THE CONCERTS IS BY TICKET ONLY. TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE IN ADVANCE OF THE PERFORMANCES. THEY ARE SELLING QUICKLY AND THERE ARE LIMITED NUMBERS LEFT FOR THURSDAY NIGHTS PERFORMANCE.

Christmas Jumper Day

As you know Friday 15th December is our Christmas Jumper Day and to spread the festive cheer we are encouraging everyone to put on their jumpers and walk to school that morning as we are combining the event with the Sustrans Santa Stroll. We are trying to get more people actively travelling to school to improve their health, help the environment and reduce congestion on the roads.

Christmas Parties



Our class parties will be held on **Wednesday 20th December**. Children may dress in their own party clothes.

School will close at 12.00pm.

This year we are asking that all children bring some party food that they can share with the class. They do not need to bring enough for each person in the class. They might for example bring a six pack of crisps or half a dozen buns or a few packets of sweets.

They may also bring some games to school to play. Electronic games should not be brought to school.



Future Dates

Homework Club begins again **Wednesday 3rd January**.

Book Club and Ready to Learn begin again on **Tuesday 9th January**.

AQE results **Saturday 27th January**.

Parent Consultations **Tuesday 13th & Wednesday 14th February**.

Half-Term holiday 15th, 16th & 19th February.



School Bus

May I remind all pupils using the school bus that their behaviour travelling to and from school must be of the highest standard for the safety of all those using the bus service. Please be available to meet your child off the 2.00pm bus, otherwise they will be returned to school by the driver. The bus fare is 75p.

Weekly Newsletter

A newsletter will be sent home each Tuesday to keep you informed about planned activities in school. However, it is sometimes necessary to send home other notes during the week which contain essential information. Could I please strongly encourage you to make a **daily** check of your child's schoolbag for additional information sent from the class teacher or myself. Your help in this matter would be greatly appreciated. The newsletter will continue to be available on the school's web site.

Pastoral Care

If you have any issues to do with the Pastoral dimension of the school, please share these with Mrs Lowry, who is the Designated Teacher for Child Protection or Mrs Hall, the Deputy Designated Teacher.

PTA Meeting

The first PTA meeting of the year will be held on **Monday 14th September at 7.00pm**. New members are very welcome. All monies raised by the PTA are used to support and enhance the children's learning so please come along and give us your support.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY TERM 1

Central Primary School is a busy place and already staff have set dates for this term as follows:

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 14th September 7.00pm - PTA Meeting.

Wednesday 16th September 7.00-8.00pm - Curriculum information evening for parents.

Monday 5th October 9.00am-11.30am - NI Hospice Coffee morning.

Wed 21st October & Thurs 22nd October Parent Teacher consultations - School will close at 12.00pm.

Friday 23rd October - Exceptional Closure

Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October - Halloween Holiday.

Saturday 7th November - AQE Test 1

Saturday 21st November - AQE Test 2

Saturday 28th November - AQE Test 3

Tuesday 24th November - Open Evening 7.00pm-9.00pm.

Friday 18th December - Last day of term. School closes at 12.00pm.

Monday 4th January—Exceptional closure

Tuesday 5th January 2016 - Term 2 begins.

FURTHER DATES MAY BE ADDED AS THE TERM PROGRESSES

School Absence/Pastoral Care

If your child is absent from school because of illness or any other reason, please phone the Office on the first day of absence and let us know. Similarly if you need to take your child out of school for any appointment, please let the school know in writing. Your child will only be released from school if a parent or other known adult comes to school to collect them. If at all possible try to make appointments for after school hours. The school will monitor pupil attendance and advise you of any issues of attendance.

Healthy Break

We would ask for your continued support in encouraging your children to bring a healthy snack every day.



We would also encourage all children to bring a water bottle to school each day as research indicates that dehydration can have a detrimental effect on concentration and learning.

The following 5 dates for staff training need to be added to the holiday list.

Friday 23rd October

Monday 4th January

Friday 12th February

Tuesday 3rd May

Friday 10th June

FREE SCHOOL MEALS ENTITLEMENT

A child is entitled to receive free school meals where: the parent receives Child Tax Credit or Working Tax Credit and has an annual taxable income not exceeding £16,190; or the parent is in receipt of Income Support or Income Based Jobseeker's Allowance; or income related Employment and Support Allowance; or State Pension Credit.

If you feel that you may qualify or if you would like more information please contact the school office. *Even if you do not wish your child to have free school meals, please apply as a successful application benefits the school because we receive additional funding for children who are registered.*

SCHOOL UNIFORM ALLOWANCE

Families who register and are entitled to free school meals may also be entitled to a uniform allowance of up to £35.75 per child. Forms may be obtained from the school office.

School Milk

Milk will be available from **Monday 7th September** to **Friday 18th December** at the cost of **£14.00**. Orders must be returned by **Thursday 3rd September** at **9.00am**. Please complete the tear-off slip below if you wish to order milk.

I enclose **£14.00** for milk to cover deliveries from Monday 7th September until Friday 18th December.

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