



## November's Monthly Newsletter



Dear Parents,

I really must start by expressing my sincere thanks to you all for every part you played in making our Anniversary celebrations so successful. The pupils really thrived learning about the school's history and it was wonderful to hear the stories from the past, first-hand.

Preparations are now underway for the next big family events, including our Tractor Run at the end of this month. Raffle tickets are still available in the office, should you require any more.

This is always one of our busiest terms so please take a note in your diaries of the dates below and those we send out weekly on the dinner sheet.

Emily McCaffery, Interim Principal

### Dates for November

<b>Monday 4th</b>	First Day Back after Half Term	<b>Friday 15th</b>	Non Uniform Day: Children in Need
<b>Monday 4th</b>	Drama for Kids Workshop P1-4	<b>Saturday 16th</b>	GL Assessment
<b>Tuesday 5th</b>	Twilight Forest School	<b>Monday 18th</b>	Road Safety Week
<b>Wednesday 6th</b>	P5-7 Ulster Orchestra Concert	<b>Wednesday 20th</b>	Individual & Class Photos
<b>Friday 8th</b>	Christmas Shoe box appeal Deadline	<b>Thursday 21st</b>	OPEN DAY
<b>Saturday 9th</b>	First AQE Examination	<b>Saturday 25th</b>	Second AQE Examination
<b>Monday 11th</b>	Anti-bullying Week	<b>Thursday 28th</b>	Dunclug College School Production P6/7
<b>Wednesday 13th</b>	<b>**PTA Meeting 7.30pm**</b>	<b>Friday 29th</b>	<b>Christmas Tractor Run</b>
<b>Wednesday 13th</b>	No Pens Day	<b>Saturday 30th</b>	Third AQE Examination

**OPEN DAY 2019**  
Thursday 21st November  
11.00 am - 12.00 noon

**Kirkinniola PS Ballymena!**

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**Top 10 Reasons to Visit...**

1. Child-centred Teaching
2. Small Class Sizes = Personalised Learning
3. Beautiful Rural Location with Ample Parking
4. Breakfast Club and After School Clubs
5. Onsite Early Years Provider (K.E.Y)
6. Recognised Forest School Status
7. iPads available 1:1 in P1 & P2
8. Active Global Learning Programme
9. School Council includes P1-P7
10. Family Friendly Ethos

### AQE and GL Transfer Tests

We would like to wish our P7 pupils all the best for the upcoming transfer tests. We are so proud of the hard work and determination that they have put in to preparing for these tests. We are also aware of the additional stress it can add to family life. Therefore, we would encourage everyone involved to visit [www.thetransfertutor.co.uk](http://www.thetransfertutor.co.uk) for their best tips for the day.

Saturday 9th November~ AQE 1  
 Saturday 16th November~ GL  
 Saturday 23rd November~ AQE 2

**BE THE  
BEST  
VERSION  
OF you**

DO THE BEST YOU CAN

### Mrs Pedlow

Sadly, Mrs Pedlow will be leaving our team next Friday 15th November, 2019. Mrs Pedlow joined us in 2014 and has always gone above and beyond in her role as Catering Assistant. She initiated many of our current lunchtime reward systems and always takes time to show care for any pupils in need. I know the children will miss her greatly, as will the whole staff team. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Pedlow and wish her all the best in her future career.

### Tractor Run and Christmas Market 2019

KIRKINRIOLA PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA

**CHRISTMAS MARKET**

**and**

**TRACTOR RUN**

**at**

**BALLYMENA LIVESTOCK MARKET**

**on**

**Friday 29th November, 6-9pm**

Tractor Registration from 6pm

Tractor Run at 7pm

£15.00 per Tractor / Table

Chip Cart, Santa, Bouncy Castle, Soft Play for Under 3's, Tea & Coffee, Cake Stalls & more!

RAFFLE will be held after the Tractor Run.

ALL PROCEEDS GOING TO SUPPORT SCHOOL PTA

### Vacancy: Catering Supervisor

Mrs's Pedlow's departure means we are looking for a new Catering Assistant.

Anyone who would be interested in this role should contact Angela Gregg at Dunclug Primary School Kitchens, on 02825 646208.

### Non-Uniform Day- Friday 16th November

In support of Children in Need and Radio Cracker, we will be having a non-uniform day on Friday 15th November. Pupils are allowed to wear non-uniform for a small donation.

Thank you in advance for your support.



### Radio Cracker

The children are performing for Radio Cracker on Thursday 28th November 2019 at 10.10am. This year we will be recording near Dunnes in The Tower Centre, Ballymena. Parents, Grandparents, family and friends are all welcome to come along and support us. We look forward to seeing you there. If you aren't able to attend then tune in to 107.6 FM.



## A Look Ahead

### Dates for December

Tuesday 3rd	Fire Service visiting P5-7
Friday 6th	Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 10th	Christmas Dinner Day (Pupils)
Tuesday 10th	1.30pm Choir@ Galgorm Garden Centre
Wednesday 11th	P5-7 singing @ Prospect House (pm)
Saturday 14th	Belfast Carols @ SSE Arena, Belfast
Tuesday 17th	2pm Finish for all pupils.
Tuesday 17th	Carol Service—Cloughwater Pres.Church
Wednesday 18th	Choir singing at Cloughwater Over 50s
Friday 20th	12noon Finish
Monday 23rd	School Holidays Begin



Remember for any updates on events throughout the month or to view event photos you should visit...

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