TOREAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL



The first term has flown by. I would like to thank you all for your understanding and patience. The children have coped so well with the new rules and safety regulations. They have been a credit to all of us. I would also like to thank the staff for their work since the onset of this pandemic. This has been a challenging time for schools and my staff has approached this in a very professional and caring manner. They too have been a credit to me.

As we break up for the Christmas holidays may I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Christmas and a Healthy New Year. We do not know what is ahead of us, however keeping the rules over the holidays is so important for everyone.



I hope you got the chance to view our Christmas video on the website. I thought it was super! Well done everyone! Remember if you would like to donate to our charity, please send donations in an envelope tomorrow.

Reading Books

ALL reading books should be returned to school TOMORROW.

Literacy Service

The Education Authority Literacy Service is pleased to announce the launch of the first edition of its Literacy Newsletter.

The content of the newsletter is aimed at all parents and children who at some point in their school career, may experience difficulties in literacy. It is interactive and engaging and will appeal to all age groups. This issue focuses on spelling and contains lots of useful, practical ideas and resources for children and young people to use at home.

The newsletter also contains details as to how it can be read to the parent and/or child using assistive technology (Texthelp Read & Write and Immersive Reader). It is available for pupils and parents to access from home via the link below. The link needs to be copied and pasted into the Google Chrome or Microsoft Edge browser.

http://sway.office.com/GgRFD5xCBesle2Hr?ref=Link&loc=play

Please click on the link and explore this interactive resource for Northern Ireland pupils, parents and schools.



Diary Dates

Friday 18th December

School will close early for Christmas Holiday, collection times as follow:

11.50am P5/6 12.00noon P3/4 12.10pm P1/2 12.20pm P7

Monday 21st – Friday 1st January 2021

Christmas Holidays

Monday 4th January 2021

Term 2 School commences at the usual staggered start times.

Free School Meals

As the Education Authority will be paying parents directly up to and including Monday 4th January, children will need to bring their own packed lunch to school on this date. School meals will commence again on Tuesday 5th January 2021.

Thursday 7th January 2021

P1 applications open at 12 noon on Education Authority website.

AQE Test Dates

Saturday 9th January 2021 Saturday 16th January 2021 Saturday 23rd January 2021

Friday 29th January 2021

P1 online applications close at 12 noon.

Other Information

Administration

From time to time people's contact details change, including mobile telephone numbers and address. Please inform the school in writing of any changes that might affect our correspondence with you.

C L Morrow Principal

16.12.2020