

TOREAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Child Protection/Safeguarding Team

Designated Teacher: Miss Morrow

Deputy Designated Teacher: Mrs Wells

School Governor: Mrs H Apsley

Thank you for taking the time to speak to the teachers on the phone last week. At the end of the year you will be receiving an adapted report in line with Department of Education recommendations. The report will include a section on Literacy, Numeracy and Other areas/ General comments.

Over the next few weeks, we are hoping to get all the children outside at the one time. The “bubbles” will still be in place as will social distancing between the bubbles. We feel that it is important to come together as a whole school and will allow the children to see the others and also the other members of staff.

As we approach the end of the year, I am not in a position to say what the arrangements will be in place for next term. Saying that I will put out the holiday list and some other information next week.

Monday June 14th – Friday 18th June

The children are going to take part in a variety of outdoor activities during this week. Therefore, children should come to school in their PE clothing ALL week. That is normal school T shirt, trainers, school sweatshirt and tracksuit bottoms, leggings or shorts.

School Photographs

The children will bring home the proof of their school photograph today. Inside the envelope you will find instructions on how to order photographs using a unique code attached to your proof.

All orders will be dealt with by the photographer. Should you have any problems please contact the photographer Lynn Wortley 07870838701.

P1 Intake September 2021

More information regarding P1 intake will be issued by Miss Morrow next week.

Revised Date For Notification of the Outcome of Applications for Pupils Transferring to Post-Primary School in September 2021

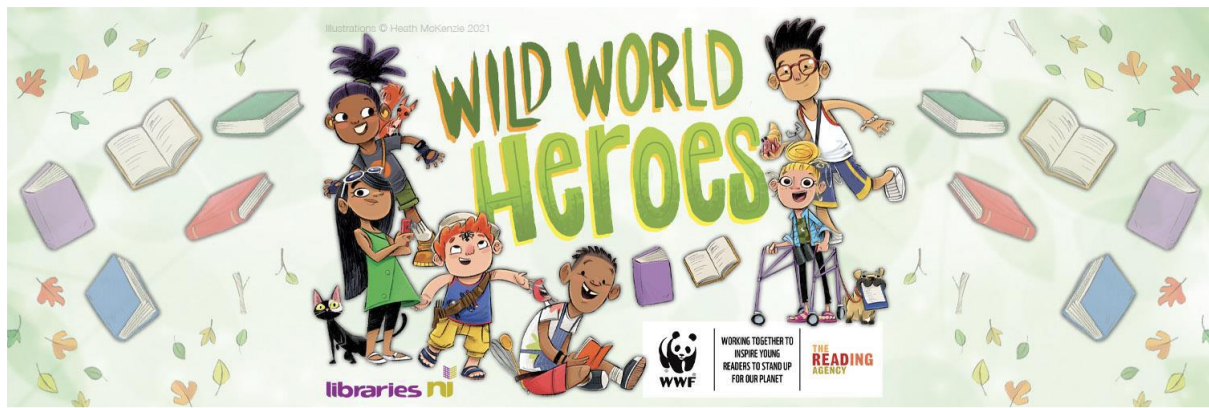
Parental notification of outcome of applications has changed to **Saturday 12th June 2021**

Parents who had applied online will be able to login to the EA Post-Primary Application from 9am on Saturday, 12th June 2021 to receive the outcome of their child’s application. Please note that parents cannot indicate acceptance or refusal of a place offered via the online portal. If any post-primary schools do require confirmation, they will contact parents directly with instructions on how they should respond.

On Notification Day It is expected that a very large volume of parents will be logging in on notification day. While EA has taken all possible steps, in advance, to seek assurances from our digital software provider that the Post-Primary Application Portal can manage this, we know that it may take some time before all parents are able to access their notification. Parents will be made aware, via an email prior to the notification day that they may be placed in a queue and will be encouraged via our social media post that they may wish to log in at a less busy time. An Admissions Helpdesk will be operating from 9am to 5pm on Saturday 12th June to assist parents who require support and to answer queries that cannot be clarified via the website information.

C L Morrow
Principal

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**Introducing Libraries NI Summer Reading Challenge 19 June until 18 September 2021
Wild World Heroes, Summer Reading Challenge 2021; a celebration of nature and
action for the environment, in partnership with WWF UK.**

Get ready for Wild World Heroes, arriving online and in libraries across Northern Ireland this summer.

Children age 4 to 11 can join the World Wide Heroes for this year's Summer Reading Challenge to discover how they can make a difference to the environment.

Produced by The Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with libraries, we're teaming up with WWF for a very special nature themed challenge that will inspire children to stand up for the planet.

The challenge will feature amazing books, awesome rewards and plenty of ideas for taking care of the environment.

How does it work?

The Summer Reading Challenge will take place from **19 June until 18 September**. Children can sign up at their local library, choose their reading goal then read any books to collect special stickers and other rewards along the way – all for FREE. There is a digital platform too, so the fun can carry on at home!

Children can read whatever they like in their chosen format – fiction, fact books, poetry, joke books, picture books, graphic novels, audio books and eBooks. Everyone who completes their personal challenge will receive a certificate and medal.

Events and activities will take place throughout the summer online and possible face-to-face depending on guidelines issued by the Northern Ireland Executive.

Why should children take part?

Children's reading can 'dip' during the long summer holidays if they do not have regular access to books and encouragement to read for pleasure.

The Reading Agency's annual Summer Reading Challenge really helps by getting over 700,000 children regularly into libraries over the summer, with thousands more taking part online.

There is no other free reading activity that involves so many children, introduces families to their library, encourages children to choose books freely and independently and is endorsed by parents and teachers.

There will be more information on the Libraries NI website www.librariesni.org.uk and social channels over the next few weeks so please keep a look out for further updates. In the meantime, if you need any further information email our Senior Children's Services Manager Valerie Christie at cypsteam@librariesni.org.uk

We do hope you get involved.