# TOREAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### **Child Protection/Safeguarding Team**

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We are looking forward to a sunny weekend after a week of some heavy showers. Hopefully we will all be able to get out and enjoy the outdoors.

## **Health and Safety**

Please make anyone, who is leaving off or picking up your child, aware that they must not turn at the school gate. Unfortunately, there was a near miss involving a child this morning. None of us want an accident to happen!!

#### Attendance

The Education Welfare Office has contacted the school regarding those children having an attendance of under 85%. As a school we have a legal responsibility to issue this data. Therefore, if this is the case, you may receive a call from the EWO office.

#### **Reading Books**

Please ensure reading books are returned each Friday.

## **P7 Swimming**

The cost will be £1.60 per week (please send in the correct money.)

#### **AQE Applications P6**

The application process is now open. Log on to www.aqe.org.uk to find all the relevant information. To ensure you get the venue of your choice, please apply early.

There is also important information on the Larne Grammar website, this includes a presentation from the Principal. larnegrammar.org.uk

### Saturday 21st May 2022

P7 Parents – please see 'Key Messages' from Education Authority at the end of this note.

#### **Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**

We will be celebrating this momentous occasion on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May.

On Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May, we will be having a "Party in the Playground." A chippy van and ice-cream van have been booked. Each child can have either a burger, a hotdog or a chip followed by an ice-cream cone. Children can come to school wearing something red, something white or something blue or any combination. However, if you know your child will not be in school on these days, please let their teacher know asap.

#### **Diary Dates**

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2022	School Development Day	School Closed
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> & Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Jubilee Bank Holiday	School Closed
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	School Holiday	School Closed
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	School Development Day	School Closed

# Wednesday 8th June

'Wee Critters' (Interactive animal education) will be visiting the school on this day. We are asking for a donation of £3 per child towards helping us pay for this activity. Please send this in on or before Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May.

# Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June Sports Day

We are happy to say that Sports Day will be held on school grounds on the morning of Friday  $17^{th}$  June. The children should go home after sports, except P7 children doing cycling. We are envisioning the times to be 10am - 11.30am (to be confirmed). Children will come to school in their PE clothing, ready to participate.

Our day is a team sports day, where children from different classes P1-7 make up teams and take part in lots of fun activities. Our theme is the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. This year we will be making a few changes:

- Parents may come along and watch. We ask that 2 adults maximum attend please.
- No seating will be available. You are welcome to bring your own seat.
- A goody bag will be given to the children on their way home.
- The prize giving will take place during our final full assembly.

We look forward to you joining us again for this fun filled morning. Fingers crossed for good weather!

On that note, if Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June is a wash out and Sports Day cannot go ahead as planned, a second date will not be arranged for parents to attend. We will go ahead with Sports Day, in school, on a day that is dry and when the field is not too wet.

If it is necessary to cancel on 17<sup>th</sup> June, a text will be sent out before 8.30am and school will continue as normal on that day (no early finish, break and lunch required.)

# P7 Cycling on 17th June

After sports, cycling will take place 1pm – 3pm. Please note change of time for this day only.

## Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

P7 assembly and last day. Further details to follow.

#### Friday 24th June

P1 Intake September 2022 - individual visits to school, times have been issued.

C L Morrow Principal

13<sup>th</sup> May 2022

# Key messages for Parents on Notification Day

An email will be issued to parents on the morning of Saturday, 21 May 2022 notifying them of the outcome of their child's application.

Parents do not need to log in to the online portal on Sat 21 May to find out the outcome of their application.

Many parental queries can be answered via our detailed website information: <a href="www.eani.org.uk/admissions">www.eani.org.uk/admissions</a>

From Saturday, 21 May information will be accessible on:

- Making further preferences if a child has not yet been allocated a post- primary place;
- Appealing the decision of a Board of Governors not to admit a child;
- Changing preference to an:
  - Oversubscribed School
  - Undersubscribed School;
- Making a new application where a parent has not previously applied for a post-primary place.

Contacting EA: Our Admissions Helpdesk is open from 9am to 12 noon on Saturday 21 May via

Telephone: 028 9598 5595

Email: postprimaryadmissions@eani.org.uk

Staff will be available to provide support and guidance to parents. Lines are expected to be very busy. We do understand that it can be a very distressing time for children and families when the placement news is not what has been hoped for. While we will try to assist everyone, it is important for parents to remember that decisions on admissions are made by individual schools rather than EA.

## Accessing the EA Post-Primary Application

The option to log in to the online portal will be available should parents wish to view their application, its outcome, nominate further preferences or lodge an appeal.

Access via <a href="https://admissions.eani.org.uk/postprimary">https://admissions.eani.org.uk/postprimary</a> using a registered email address and password. All users will be emailed prior to the notification date so that if they need to they can reset passwords in advance.

Remember parents do not have to log in to view application outcomes as their email will give this information.