

# TOREAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Child Protection/Safeguarding Team

Designated Teacher: Miss Morrow (lmorrow225@c2kni.net)  
Deputy Designated Teacher: Mrs Wells (ywells497@c2kni.net)  
School Governor: Mrs H Apsley ([brian\\_apsley@fastmail.co.uk](mailto:brian_apsley@fastmail.co.uk))

It has been great over the last few days to have the children back. Everyone is looking so smart in their new uniforms. Primary 2 – 7 have settled back in and are already into the swing of things. We welcome Primary 1 and hope they have enjoyed their first few days.

### School Milk

**Children who received milk last term will continue to receive milk** from Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September. P1 will also receive milk from this date. Should your child no longer wish to have milk, please contact the school office and inform Mrs Wilson. If your child would now like to have milk, please contact Mrs Wilson who will order this for them.

### Allergy

#### **‘We are a Nut Aware School’**

As a school we need your help to keep all our children safe. We have a child in school who has a life threatening allergic reaction to nuts. To keep them as safe as possible, please do not send any food stuffs which contain nuts or traces of nuts eg, cereal bars, Nutella, Kinder Buenos etc.

We would also ask that if your child has any cereal containing nuts or Nutella etc. at breakfast, that you ensure their hands are washed before coming to school.

### Attendance

Good attendance is an essential ingredient if you want your child to fulfil their potential and make the progress that they should be making.

The Department for Education describe attendance in the following terms.

Regular Attendance	95 – 100%	Children are missing <1day per month
At Risk Attendance	90 – 95%	Children are missing 1+ day per month
Chronic Attendance	80 – 90%	Children are missing 2-3 days per month
Severe Chronic Attendance	<80%	Children are missing 3+ days per month

### Parent Helpers

If you might be able to help us eg. swimming, trips out during the year, please let Mrs Wilson know and the information regarding how to get police checked will be sent to you.

### School Website

Please take time to look at our website as we will be updating during the year.

### Homework

Homework will begin on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September. Each teacher will let you know what they would like the children to do.

### Consent Forms

Please send in any outstanding Consent Forms on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

## Dates for the Diary

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	P6 & P7 swimming commences at Larne Leisure Centre (£3.00) <b>(Parents who can help, please inform Miss Morrow or Mrs Wilson)</b>
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	School Development Day – pupils are not required to attend
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Flu vaccination (details will follow)
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Interviews – school will close for all at 1pm
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October - Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November (inclusive) Half Term	

## Free School Meals & Uniform Allowance

Please apply if you are entitled, as this will also give our school extra money in our budget.

Even if your child does not want a school meal; the Uniform Allowance is still available. Should you require any further assistance; please call at our school office. We will do our best to assist.

## School App

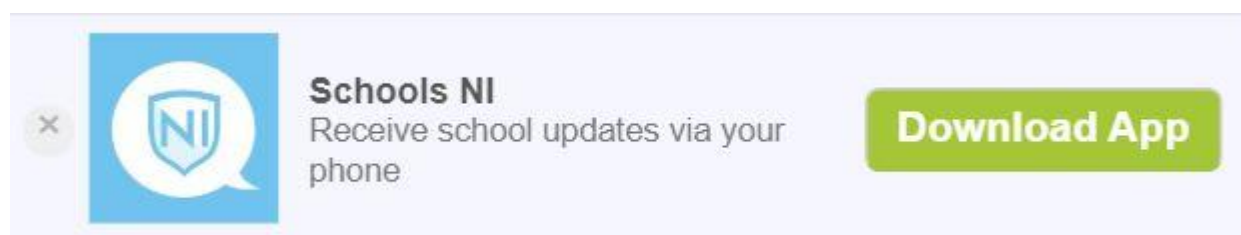
### Get school updates via your phone



Our school is listed in the **Schools NI** app, which allows you to view school updates and receive messages via your phone or tablet. The app is available on both Apple and Android devices, and will give you access to our school news, calendar events and letters.

To install the app, open [**School Website**] on your phone or tablet and click the 'Download App' button that appears at the top of the screen.

If you need any help to download the app, please let Mrs Wells know.




# Applying for \_\_\_\_\_

## Free School Meals & Uniform Allowance

### If you require help...

 [www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals-uniform-grants](http://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals-uniform-grants)

 028 9041 8044

 [mealsanduniform@eani.org.uk](mailto:mealsanduniform@eani.org.uk)

### 1. Are you eligible?



You must be:

- in receipt of a qualifying benefit OR
- be an Asylum Seeker supported by the Home Office Asylum Support Assessment Team (ASAT).

#### Qualifying Benefits:

- Income Support;
- Income Based Jobseeker's Allowance;
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance;
- Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit;
- Child Tax Credit or Working Tax Credit with an annual taxable household income of £16,190 or less;
- Universal credit and have net household earnings not exceeding £14,000 per year.

### 2. What documentation do you need?

You will be asked to upload proof that you are receiving a qualifying benefit:

- Tax Credits Award Notice
- Universal Credit Payments breakdown or
- Proof of Benefit letter (if you are in receipt of Income Support, Income Based Jobseeker's Allowance, Income Related Employment and Support Allowance or the Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit).



### 3. What else do you need?



- National Insurance Number
- Children's names
- Dates of Birth
- Schools they will be attending
- Address
- E-mail and telephone number
- Bank or building society account and sort code details.

### 4. Where do you apply?

Visit the EA's Free School Meals and Uniforms page to start an application. As well as new applicants, parents/guardians who are currently in receipt of Free School Meals & Uniform Allowance will need to apply again for this year. You will need to register with an e-mail address and create an account to apply. You will then be able to log back in to check your application



### 5. What happens next?



Your application will be processed within 5 weeks. Please do not contact EA for an update on your application within the 5 weeks of submitting your application. If you have provided incorrect or insufficient supporting documentation, you will receive a tailored email advising you to resubmit your application with details of the correct documentation you need to provide.

You will receive an email from EA once your application has been approved and processed.

**COMMUNITY  
GROUP  
STALLS**

**WALKABOUT  
CHARACTERS**

**Larne Area Community Cluster**

# **FREE FAMILY FUNDAY**

**Saturday 9 September, 12 – 3pm  
Market Yard, Larne**

**FACEPAINTING**

**FREESTYLE  
FOOTBALLER**

**PETTING  
FARM**

[www.larnecommunitydirectory.com](http://www.larnecommunitydirectory.com)



**Larne Area  
Community  
Cluster**



**Partnership  
Mid & East  
Antrim  
Borough Council**

Come and find out more about your local community groups while enjoying the many **FREE** activities on offer at this Larne Area Community Cluster event, in partnership with Mid and East Antrim Borough Council

### Activities will include:

- **Petting Farm**
- **Facepainting & Glitter Tattoos**
- **Magician**
- **Flower Arranging Workshops**
- **Caricature Drawings**
- **Music & Dance Performances**
- **Balloon Modelling**
- **Cookery Demonstration**
- **Community Group Stalls**
- **Freestyle Footballer**  
(From 1.30pm – 3pm)

All above activities are free of charge, subject to availability & maximum numbers permitted on site.

Food will be available to purchase on the day.

Parking will not be available on site. Attendees are advised to use public car parks

Dogs are not permitted on site.

### PLUS SPECIAL GUESTS...

**BARBIE**

**DINOSAURS**

**ELSA**

**SPIDERMAN**



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