

June 2023 Parents' Newsletter

Welcome to summer in Ballysillan P.S! What an exciting month this will be!

End of Year Celebrations

We are very excited to hold end of year events for our Nursery and P7 children this year. These are the two key "transition" years. Nursery Graduation will be held on Monday 26th June. P7 end of year service will be held on Friday 23rd June. Mrs White and Mrs Chambers will provide more detailed information closer to the time.

Last Day of Term

Our last day of term is **Friday 30th June**. This will be a non-uniform party day and a **12pm finish** for all pupils. All children are welcome to bring sweets and treats to share with the class.

Staffing September 2023

We will be informing parents of class teachers and classroom assistants in an end of year letter during the final week in June. Any changes in arrangements with regards to Special Needs Assistants will be provided directly to the appropriate parents on an individual basis. We can inform parents that all classes will be moving up and the year groups will look like the following;

Nursery, P1, P2, P3, P4, P4/5, P5/6 and P7

Children who are in composite classes will be remaining in their current composite class. If you have any questions regarding this information, please speak to your current class teacher.

Primary One Transition June 2023

As part of our transition month, Nursery will be taking part in 'P1 Club' on 1st, 8th and 15th June information will be shared shortly and your child will end the school day at 2pm on these dates.

Please look out for all the transition information that will be provided by the P1 teacher for our new P1 children. Lots of dates to follow individually to our current Nursery parents.

Nursery Sports Event

Nursery will be holding their Sports Event on Friday 2nd June. All parents are welcome. Please look out for more details from Mrs White.

Sun Cream and Hot Weather

We are asking parents if they could apply sun cream to their children if it is going to be a sunny day. You can also send a bottle of sun cream with your child's name on it for them to apply during the day. Wearing a sun hat during outdoor play is also encouraged.

Parents can also send their children with a water bottle. This can be refilled in school.

After School Clubs in June

Eco club has now finished. Please look out on Seesaw for our leaflet from Sports who are offering MR afterschool clubs Tuesdayon Thursday every week in June. Tuesday is "Gymnastics", Wednesday is "Air Dry Clay" and Thursday is "Basketball". The company need 8 children per club and these are being offered to all classes (Nursery-P7). Please sign up! Choir, which is now taken during school time, will finish on Thursday 22nd June.

P1 Music Makers

P1 are looking forward to our Music Makers morning on Monday 13th June.

School Summer Fair

Our Summer Fair will be held on Wednesday 7th June. There will be a wide range of vendors and activities such as; the Party Bus, Bouncy Castles, Donuts and Face Painting.

<u>Time</u>: - 1pm - 2:30pm

<u>Admission</u>: - £1, Nursery and Primary school aged children = Free

School Summer Fair Dismissal

-All children will be dismissed at 1pm. -All classes will be brought to the main playground at 12.50pm to wait together.

-The front gate and back gate will both be closed at this point.

<u>-If you are staying for the fair,</u> you will pay staff at the back or front gate, collect your child from their class and enjoy the fair.

-<u>If you and your child are not</u> <u>staying for the fair</u>, please make the members of staff at the gate aware and they will collect your child and bring them to you.

End of Year Pupil Profiles

End of Year Pupil Profile reports will be sent to parents/guardians via Seesaw on **Friday 23rd June 2023**.

Living Hope Belfast

Living Hope Belfast are a Christian organisation who have volunteered to come into school the last week of term and facilitate lessons every afternoon for all classes (Monday 26th-Friday 30th). This will involve fun activities, assemblies, and outdoor learning. Please let your class teacher know if you do not want your child to participate.