

SULLIVAN UPPER PREP

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REMINDERS

- Mon 18th Prep 6 to sing at Culloden Hotel at their annual Cancer Awareness Coffee Morning
- Wed 20th SUPPA meeting at 7.30 in SUS
- Sat 23rd AQE #2
- Lower Prep Nativity Tues 10th Dec @ 10am & 1.30pm; Wed 11th Dec @ 10am - all in Drama Theatre
- Upper Prep Christmas Service Thurs 12th Dec at 7pm in First Presbyterian Church in Holywood

PE REMINDERS

- Monday Swimming for P4 has now finished. Netball Club is on - weather permitting.
- Wednesday P4 do not need hockey kit today. Swimming for P5-6 continues; P7 will be doing badminton/table tennis this term.
- Friday P5 and P6 should wear GAMES kit today and bring a GUM SHIELD as they will be doing an extra PE session of Mini Rugby with an external coach. Anyone not wearing a gum shield will not be able to join in with all activities.

This is Anti-Bullying Week across the UK. In both our whole school Assembly, and in our classes, we have talked about the different types of bullying and what to do if we, or someone we know, is being bullied.



Prep 7 took a brain break from AQE preparation and participated in the Big Morning Move with Joe Wick's activity session online in support of Children in Need.

Good luck to all those pupils sitting the GL Tests tomorrow!

Our Prep 5 class had the perfect finale to their Food topic last Friday. We very excitedly welcomed Blair's dad who came to tell us about Dairy Farming and how our milk is produced.

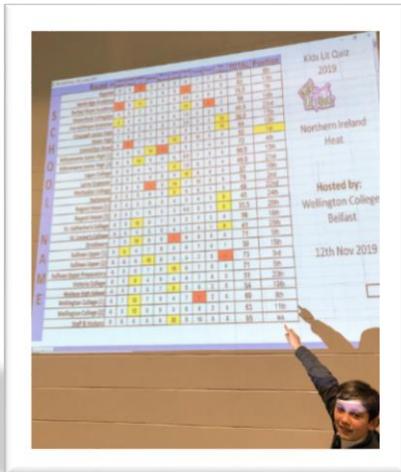
Everyone was completely engaged in learning about this fascinating journey from cows to our breakfast table.

Thank you very much to Mark for giving up his time to teach us (and his amazing power-point presentation) and to Dale Farm for providing our whole class with wildly generous and very gratefully received goodie bags full of delicious locally- made dairy produce.



Kids Lit

Our record-breaking Kids' Lit team (plus reserve) are pictured here with Wayne Mills, the 'Book Guru', and famous Kiwi Question-Master of the renowned **reading competition** for 10-13 year old pupils. The NI final was held on Tuesday in Wellington College and this is our 6th year of entry.



Not only was the Prep the only primary age team to enter, they managed to finish **5th place out of 26 teams** as you can see with the photo. Olivia, Daniel, Thomas and Myles were outstanding ambassadors for Sullivan Prep and Mrs Galway, along with the whole staff, could not be any prouder of their team-work and outstanding achievement. We also enjoyed the success of our Year 9 team, which included three out of four ex-Prep pupils. We can safely say that "Reading" is 'alive and well' in Sullivan!

Thanks to Mr Pinkerton who held a Remembrance Service with Prep 7 this week; he brought artefacts from World War 2 belonging to his family and taught the children about the incredible sacrifices made by our older generations.



Following a recent meeting of the Preparatory Committee of the Board of Governors, we will renew our efforts to explore the possibility of a pre-school Club and will be in contact with all parents very soon to seek further up-to-date input about needs before the next step of advertising widely. We will also send out the application forms for requests to join the After School Club at a much earlier date in February to assist with seeking alternative care arrangements should places be unavailable.

Please remember that parents' views are important to us and we invite you to express queries and ideas to Mrs Smith either in person, by letter or by email. This allows us to act in a speedier manner to any and all concerns.

Thank you.
