



Weekly Parent Newsletter: 12

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REMINDERS

- ✓ We would again remind you that **ALL** children should come to school wearing a coat. Unfortunately, children without coats will not be allowed out to play at break or lunch time.
- ✓ **SUPPA Calendar** - please return your order forms by **Friday 30 November**.
- ✓ **Tuesday 11, Wednesday 12 & Thursday 13 December** - **P1-4 Christmas Nativity 10am-11am**. This is being held in the Senior School's Drama Theatre and will be a ticket only entry due to limited seating. Please ensure your ticket requests are returned to school by Monday 3 December. 4 seats in total may be requested with a waiting list in operation.
- ✓ **Thursday 13 December P5-7 Carol Service** @ 7pm in First Holywood Presbyterian Church. Everyone welcome!
- ✓ **Friday 21 December** - school finishes at 12 noon no lunch. After School Club finishes earlier than normal at the time of **4.30pm** for end of term lock up procedures.
- ✓ **Monday 7 January** - school resumes at 8.50am. **ALL** Children require a **packed lunch** as the Silver Robin is closed due to the Senior School having an additional Exceptional Closure day.

Children in Need update - our Spots and stripes non-uniform day raised a fantastic £225 for the BBC appeal. This year the appeal pushed through the £1 billion mark total, so we can be very proud to have been part of that milestone.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity for the Prep's charity efforts.



World Children's Day

Thank you for supporting World Children's Day. We loved seeing so many of our pupils and staff wearing blue in recognition of the day. Our pupils attended a short meaningful assembly on the subject to highlight children's needs both here and across the world. Over £400 was raised so a huge thank you for entering the ballot and buying refreshment and goodies on offer. Thank you to Mrs Porter and Mrs Biggs in particular for their organisation and running of the event.

We were so glad to welcome in **Angela McGarry** and her fuzzy friend, **Henry**, to our assembly today. She helped us to think about sharing our worries with God and even thinking about saying thank you for things that might make us feel a bit nervous. Angela is the Children and Family Worker in Holywood Parish Church, and we look forward to welcoming her again to celebrate our assemblies in the future.

PE REMINDERS

Monday 26: **NO** P1-P7 PE/Swimming today as Mrs Wilkinson will be attending training out of school. There is **NO** Netball Club today. Uniform instead of PE kit, please.

Tuesday 27: P1-7 will all have a **PE Lesson** today instead of yesterday!
P1-4 should wear **PE kit** to school.
P5-7 should bring PE kit please.

Wednesday 28: P6 should remember Hockey kit for Games. We had lots of forgotten gum shields last week which led to pupils missing out on matches!

Thursday 29: We will be hosting an afternoon of Netball Friendlies in the Sports Hall from 1-3pm. All those pupils who come to Netball Club are welcome to attend and should bring PE kit to school. Players will change after lunch and will return to Loughead House for a **3.15pm pick up**. Those who go to clubs after school will be able to go and join in when they finish Netball.

Football: Well done to our team who travelled to Londonderry Park yesterday for the Football League. We had two fixtures, winning against Alexander Dickson PS and a loss to St Finian's PS. Final round before the Christmas break is on Thursday 6th December. Thanks to parents for arranging pick up from Londonderry Park on this occasion.

Kit: As the weather is getting colder, please encourage children to dress appropriately for outdoor games/clubs. Long sleeve underarmour may be worn along with hats/gloves and tracksuit bottoms. Please also ensure that your child has their coat with them every day.

Yesterday the **boys' and girls' hockey teams** played in a friendly tournament in Ards. It was a lovely, bright, crisp day and the players were very excited to be playing their first matches this season. We had a thoroughly successful afternoon with both teams coming home unbeaten! We played against Abbey PS, Killinchy PS and Towerview PS. Some great goals were scored by Eva, Grace, Sara & Tara and Sam, Tom, Harry & Brendan.

Mrs Wilson was extremely proud of all the players for their excellent sportsmanship. Thank you also to all the parents who came to support. We will play again in January in preparation for the NI qualifying Tournament.

CHOIR & DRAMA CLUB TRIP TO BLOOMFIELD COLLEGIATE

'Amazing!'...'We loved it ALL'...'Their singing and acting was fantastic'

This was some of the feedback from the 39 Sullivan Prep pupils who visited Bloomfield Collegiate yesterday for their Junior School production of "**Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat**". It truly was a production to be proud of and it gave our Choir and Drama Club an opportunity to see Year 8 and 9 pupils in action, using their many talents, as well as the chance to meet pupils from other schools in the lovely Dining Hall where a break was generously provided. One of the highlights included seeing two past pupils; one came to visit us when she heard that Sullivan pupils were 'in the building'; and the other was Sofia's sister, Sara, who performed very confidently on stage. We were all indeed appropriately thankful, on Thanksgiving Day, to have such lovely opportunities for our Prep pupils to attend and we are extremely grateful to Bloomfield for their kind invitation, as well as to Miss Cairnduff and Mrs Fleming for accompanying us.

