

**February (2) 2025**

Dear parent,

It was lovely to welcome the children back this morning after their half-term break.

### **PLEASE HELP**

Our skip has been delivered today and is with us for 2 weeks. We would really appreciate your help to load it up. There is a cuppa and a bun in it for you, as well as our thanks! If you are able to help, please ring the school and let us know. Our temporary building supervisor is in school from 2.00pm daily and will be able to show you the stuff that needs thrown out. The metal shed needs dismantled. Anyone who wants to take it away for scrap metal is more than welcome to it.

### **PTA NEWS**

The PTA is organising a bag pack in ASDA, Antrim on Saturday 1 March from 10.00am to 3.00pm. A couple of children in uniform, will be with an adult at the entrance of the store with collecting buckets. The other adults will be at the tills packing. We need all the help we can get, with slots available for 1.5 or 2 hours, depending on how many parents are interested. This venture can raise a lot of much needed money for school funds. If you can spare some time to help, please contact Amy Hanna on 07445546564 or email [hannaamy92@gmail.com](mailto:hannaamy92@gmail.com)

In another exciting development, SAVE THE DATE. We are having a Film Night & Pyjama Party in school on Thursday 13 March from 6.00pm – 9.00pm. What a great opportunity for parents to have a 'Date Night'! More information to follow.

### **P6 SEAG TRANSFER TEST INFORMATION SESSION**

Mrs Winters will be holding a SEAG information session for P6 parents on Thursday 27 February at 3.00pm. This session will be in the assembly hall and all P6 parents are welcome to attend. If you are unable to attend, please ring the office and the information distributed at that meeting will be sent home.

Any P7 parent who wishes to discuss their child's SEAG result, before they submit their application on the Post Primary Admissions Portal, should ring school to arrange to speak to Mrs Winters. The portal will be open until 20 February.

### **P7 HOODY ORDERS**

An order form for P7 Leavers Hoodies has been sent home with P7 pupils today. Please ensure order forms and payment by bank transfer are completed by **Friday 21 February**.

### **FOOTBALL OPPORTUNITY**

Johnny McClurg, Boy's Academy Director of Ballyclare Comrades FC is looking for players born in 2019 for the 2019 team. Call Andrew on 07706600724 if you are interested.

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<https://www.parkgate-primary.co.uk/>

## WORRY WORKSHOP

Parentline NI are holding an online workshop on Tuesday 18 February from 10.00am to 11.30am, addressing why our children worry and how we can support them. Book now on 0808 8020 400.

## P5 FIRE SAFETY SESSION

Mr Sam Todd from the Fire & Rescue Service will be in school on Friday 21 February to talk to our P5 pupils about fire prevention.

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Playsport NI are offering 6 weeks of after school activity after half term, from 19 February to 26 March.

There are some outstanding payments for Playsport NI. **Please ensure payment is made today** by visiting [www.playsportni.co.uk](http://www.playsportni.co.uk) or by scanning the QR code. Instructions are attached for your convenience.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

19.02.25	Playsport Session 1
<b>20.02.25</b>	<b>Post Primary Admission Portal closes.</b>
26.02.25	Parent Consultations – school closes at 1.00pm (Playsport 1.00pm - 2.00pm)
26.02.25	Playsport Session 2 (1.00pm – 2.00pm)
27.02.25	Parent Consultations – school closes at 1.00pm for ALL pupils
27.02.25	P6 Parents SEAG Information Session at 3.00pm
01.03.25	PTA ASDA Bag Pack
05.03.25	Playsport Session 3
06.03.25	World Book Day
11.03.03	School closes at 2.00pm for all pupils for Staff Development
12.03.03	Playsport Session 4
13.03.03	Pyjama Party & Film Night 6.00pm to 9.00pm
17.03.25	School closed to pupils for St. Patrick's Day (School Development Day)

Mrs D Winters  
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