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7th February 2023

Dear Parent/ Guardian,

Parent Teacher Meetings

Parent Teacher meetings will take place on Wednesday 15th February for the P1, P4/5, P7 classes; P2/3 meetings will take place on Tuesday 14th (Ms Mc Conville) and Wednesday 15th February (Mrs Kane). When an appointment is made, a booking email is generated and sent by the system to the email address registered on your child's contact information. If you have not received an email, please contact Janet in the school office. The email will contain all the information you require to join the meeting, a reminder will be sent one hour before your meeting. Please note that teachers may be able to offer an alternative time on the scheduled day but they cannot offer an alternative date.

Teachers' Strike Action

Due to the teachers' strike action, the school will be closed until 12pm on Tuesday 21st of February. School meals will be available on Tuesday 21st February, I would be grateful if you would book your child's meal before 14th February so that the Rathfriland Kitchen can plan appropriately.

The school will reopen at 12pm- all Tuesday activities are scheduled to operate normally in the afternoon – swimming/ afterschool class – but please be advised that these arrangements may change.

Post Primary Applications

The admission criteria for the Post Primary schools can now be viewed on <https://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions/search-admissions-criteria>

The EA Portal for application to Year 8 opened at 12 noon on the 1st of February and will close at 4pm on the 23rd of February.



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Primary One Health Appraisals

The school nurse will be on-site on the 27th February and the 1st March to carry out the Primary One health appraisals – hearing, vision etc. A letter will be issued from the School Nursing service.

Spanish Lessons

Spanish classes resumed on 11th January for all the classes. £10 payment for Term Two is now due for payment on the School Money App.

Music Tuition Fees

Payment for EA music tuition – Strings and Brass instruments– is now due for payment on the school money app.



A fundraising poster for the Camino de Santiago walk. It features a blue background with a circular photo of three people (Barry, Janet, and Diane) wearing white t-shirts with 'Southern Area Hospice Services' logos. The text on the poster reads: 'Support Barry, Janet & Diane as they walk 120km of the Camino de Santiago! 1st - 8th MAY 2023 In aid of Southern Area Hospice Services Thank you for your support!'. The Southern Area Hospice Services logo is also present at the bottom left.

Valentine's Fundraiser for the Hospice

Mrs O' Hare is walking the Camino in May to raise money for the Newry Hospice. To help her in achieve her fundraising goal we are having a 'Red Day' on the 14th February, the children are asked to wear something red to school. If you would like to contribute to this worthy cause, please send in your donation on the day.

Mental Health Week and Internet Safety Day

Children's mental health week takes place this week, the theme this year is 'Let's Connect.' Internet safety day is on Tuesday 7th February, a link the ChildNet resources has been added to the calendar in the Parents' Area of the website, which you may find useful.



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Barnmeen Youth Club Reopening

The proposed opening night is Tuesday 14th February, for further information, or to volunteer to help, please telephone Elaine Finnegan Linkins on 07912577060.

Reminder: The school is closed Wednesday 15th – Friday 17th February.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Magee and staff.

