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School News

BPS Biz & Reminders

As we approach the end of term can we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and thank you for your support throughout the term!

WELL DONE!!

Well done to our Ballynahinch Bolts Cross Country runners who finished the season at Donard Park. We are so proud of you all!

TRANSFER TESTS

Congratulations to those P7 pupils that sat entrance exams over the last few weeks. We know you have all tried your best and we look forward to hearing your results in January.

OPEN NIGHT

Many thanks to all those families that came to see around our Nursery Unit & Primary School during our Open Evening. It was a very busy evening will lots of people in the school, if you didn't get a chance to see everything you wanted to or have any queries, please phone the school office.

VICTORIAN DAY

Our P7 s had a chance to experience life in the 1800s last week with a visit to Castle Ward and a Victorian Day in school. They all looked great in their traditional clothing, although Ms Eakin struggled to keep up her stern demeanour throughout the day!

INTERNET SAFETY EVENING

Thank you to those parents that found the time to come to our PSNI Internet Safety evening, it was a very informative and eye opening evening for all.

FREE BOOKS!

As promised, author Dan Freedman sent us a full signed set of his hugely popular Jamie Johnson novels. They are already all booked out of our library.

SHARED EDUCATION

Lots of Shared Education trips & lessons have taken place this term including a cinema visit, a trip to W5, our Community Carol Service & a meeting of our School Councils.

EARLY CLOSURES / NEW TERM

Don't forget pupils will go home with parents following their Nativity / Carol Service on 19th December and finally school closes for the Christmas holidays at 12.15pm on 21st December.

School will reopen for Term 2 on 3rd January 2019 with Breakfast Club & 2-2-3 Club available.

Nursery News!

During the month of December, the children are having opportunities to talk about Christmas: the Christmas story, Santa Claus, presents, stockings, Christmas trees, decorations, reindeers and Santa's sleigh.

The children are making decorations for our Christmas tree and painting pictures for display.

They are continuing to listen to stories each day and to practise their songs and rhymes.

Reminders:

• The Nursery class will close for the Christmas holiday on Friday the 21st of December at 12pm and will reopen on Thursday 3rd January, 2019. This will be a Christmas jumper day for the staff and children.

Mrs. McCullough and I would like to thank you for all your support this term and wish you all a very happy Christmas.

More details included in the full Nursery News

"You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax, all you need is a book" Dr Seuss

Happy children with our Dan Freedman books.







Calendar Dates

DECEMBER

- 19th FS/KS1 Nativity 9.30am KS2 Carol Service – 11.00am Pupils home with parents
- 20th Accelerated Reader Awards Party
- 21st School finishes at 12.15pm for Christmas Holidays

<u>JANUARY</u>

- 2nd School Development Day
- 3rd Start of Term Ninja Warrior Club Demonstration
- 9th Friends of Ballynahinch PS Meeting – 7.00pm
- 10th Andy Hill (The Edge) P7 drama
- 14th Saintfield High School to see P7
- I6th Shared Education Sessions PI & P2
- 17th Shared Education Session P7 Andy Hill (The Edge) P7 Drama

Friends of Ballynahinch Primary School



Our Penny War collection has ended for the term and P4 have won a week off homework by raising $\pounds 51.56!!$ So far it has raised an unbelievable $\pounds 235.89!!$ Keep bringing in those coins!

Our next meeting is on 9th January 2019 when we will be organising the next few events for 2019!

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Ho, Ho, Hope you have a Merry Christmas!! <u>Nursery – Our Nativity Stars!</u>!



Shared Education - P3 & P4 W5 Visit



Those elves get everywhere!!

