



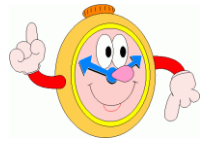
KNOCKMORE PRIMARY SCHOOL



31 January 2017

Drop-Off / Pick-Up

Thank you for having your child to school on time and helping us to keep disruptions to a minimum. Please remember, children need to be collected on time.



As previously notified, unless in exceptional circumstances, children will not be released from an afternoon club until the club finishes.

School Closures

School will be closed for half term from Monday 13th - Friday 17th February. School reopens on Monday 20th February.

Enrolment



Applications for September 2017 are now being processed and parents will be notified after 27th April if their child has been offered a place for September.

Data Collection Forms

Thank you to all parents who returned the data collection forms. If you have not yet returned your child's form, please return it to the teacher as soon as possible. It is important that we have up-to-date contact information for your child.

Attendance and Absences

Please remember to contact the office to advise us of a child's absence/appointment and send a letter of explanation on their return. **Attendance is monitored by the Education Welfare Officer.**



Money

Any money sent into school with your child should be put into an envelope and clearly labelled.

School Meals



We would again remind parents that school dinner money should be sent in on a Monday, preferably by cheque made payable to the Education Authority. **There has also been a change in the dinner menu.** On weeks 27th February, 27th March, 1st May, 29th May and 26th May, meals on Tuesday and Friday will swap, i.e. Tuesday will be salmon fillet and Friday will be chicken burger and bap.

Healthy Break and School Milk



Health Break money for March (£5) and School Milk money for March/April (£6 for 30 days) needs to be paid to the class teacher by 2pm on Wednesday 22nd February. Please use separate envelopes.



School Clubs

To help us with planning supervision and equipment, please remember to send a slip and money on **Mondays** showing which days you require. Details of clubs are available on the school website. **If a club is already full, we will not be able to accept your child's name on the morning of the club.**

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Fundraising

As a fundraising effort, children will have the opportunity to "Guess the Number of Sweeties in the Jar". 20p per guess or 3 guesses for 50p. This will take place from 1st - 10th February. Winner gets the sweeties!

On Thursday 9th February children can come to school in their pyjamas. Cost is £1.

World Book Day

This will be held on Thursday 2nd March. Further details will follow.



School Website and Twitter

We would encourage all parents to check the website and read newsletters carefully to keep up-to-date with what is happening in school. Our school website is frequently updated, www.knockmoreps.co.uk, and includes general school information, class pages, a school calendar, a gallery and a noticeboard. You can also follow us on Twitter for regular updates and reminders about all that is happening in Knockmore: @Knockmore_ps.



Unplanned Closure to School

If the school needs to close due to unforeseen circumstances such as adverse weather conditions, power failure, heating failure, etc, we will contact parents as soon as possible using:

- Text messaging service - please keep your mobile number up-to-date.
- BBC - Radio Ulster and BBC NI Website
- School Website and Twitter feed

Dates to Remember:

31 st Jan - 3 rd Feb	-	Ardnabannon Trip
1 st - 10 th Feb	-	Fundraising "Guess the sweeties"
9 th Feb	-	Fundraising "Pyjama Day", £1 per child
10 th Feb	-	Waterbus visit to school for KS2
Monday 20 th Feb	-	Y4/SPL3 Trip to WW2 Memorial, Belfast
Wednesday 22 nd Feb	-	Healthy Break and Milk money to be in school by 2 pm
Thursday 25 th Feb	-	Y2 Assembly
2 nd March	-	World Book Day

Remember to check the website for up-to-date information as we aim to reduce photocopying to save money and the environment.

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