



27th May 2021

Weekly Bulletin

Fitness Week

We will be organising a Fitness Week from Tuesday 15th to Friday 18th June. Throughout this week, children may attend school in their PE outfits or other sports gear. The only stipulation that we have is that they do not wear football or GAA tops. We have some wonderful teams across both sports but we also know that our pupils can become very passionate about their teams and this usually ends up in an argument. Nevertheless, we plan to keep the children active that week and ensure that they have no time to argue over their favourite team but please remind them about the GAA and football tops.

Parent Teacher Interviews

We still cannot confirm the format that these Parent Teacher Interviews will take but can assure you that we are working on this. Regardless of format, they will take place week beginning 21st June (Mon to Fri) and we have provided staggered finish times below. To facilitate a smooth transition and ensure parents are available for these interviews, all siblings may be picked up at the earliest finish time and the first pickup point e.g. if you have children in Nursery, P1 and P3, they can all be picked up at the 12.20pm (Nursery time) and from Nursery as this is first pickup point. P5-7 children will still be dismissed from the school gates so please ensure you communicate, with your children, where they should meet you.

Class	Parent Teacher Interview Finish Times
NURS	11.50pm 12.20pm
P1	12.00pm 12.40pm
P2	12.10pm 12.30pm
P3	12.00pm 12.50pm
P4	11.50pm 12.20pm
P5	12.00pm 12.50pm
P6	11.50pm 12.20pm
P7	12.00pm 12.30pm

As already stated, lunch will still be available and served as normal. In addition, there will be no school bus that week.

P1 & Nursery Inductions

We are still unable to state when the inductions for these groups of children will take place. Unfortunately, as it stands, guidance remains the same but we are hopeful that some movement on this will be communicated to schools shortly. In the event that there is no change, we will run induction sessions in August.

Summer Schemes

Some parent had been enquiring about us running a summer scheme. Unfortunately, due to potential building work and other operation reasons, we are not in a position to offer one this year. However, this is something that we are prepared to revisit at a later date.

Uniform Suppliers

It is hard to believe that the end of term is so close but know that many of you are already getting organised for the new academic year. With this in mind, please see the list of uniform suppliers. I anticipate that we will be back to normal uniform for September, including school tie.

SCHOOL TRENDS online www.schooltrends.co.uk and under the section 'parents order here' type in our school name

G & J GEDDIS LTD, 18-22 York Road, Belfast, TEL: 028 9035 1554



Throughout the year everyday school uniform is available from various shops including:

GILMORE'S SCHOOLWEAR, 395 Antrim Road, Belfast, TEL: 028 9074 0376

SCHOOLDAYS, 271 Antrim Road, Glengormley, TEL: 9083 3132 or www.schooldaysltd.co.uk

Uplift Performing Arts Summer Camp

Uplift will be hosting a Summer Camp, based at the Hazelwood Integrated College, from the 9th-11th August. This 3-day Performing Arts Camp is going to be packed with an incredible mix of singing, dancing, and acting. The short performance on the final day will showcase just how much you can learn in 3 days! This opportunity costs £60 and is only open to **current** P6, P7 and Year 8 pupils (flyers have been provided directly to these Classes).

Spaces can be booked directly via the Uplift website. <http://www.weareuplift.com/Classes>

Homeworks & Punctuality



You will now have received a survey, by text, on punctuality. I would ask that you complete this. You will shortly receive the second survey which is about homework. All responses will be treated in confidence and the information will help us with planning for 2021/22.



Uniform Swap Shop

We have received information in relation to a uniform Swap Shop that has been established in McCrory Church Hall. You can donate or receive uniforms directly as well as exchange them. All the timings are on the leaflet (sent with this bulletin) and for further information, contact them directly on foodbank@northbelfastadvice.org





School Meals

The menu for week beginning 31st May is below:

Monday 31/5	Tuesday 1/6	Wednesday 2/6	Thursday 3/6	Friday 4/6
SCHOOL CLOSED FOR BANK HOLIDAY	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY	Roast Gammon Cabbage Cream Potatoes Gravy	Baked Sausage Sweetcorn Cream Potatoes Gravy	Pasta Bolognaise Mixed Salad Crusty Bread
		Frozen Yoghurt Pineapple Pots Apple Juice	Jelly & Fruit Milk Shake	Chocolate Muffin Orange Juice

Advice NI

Advice NI is asking us to reach as many EU, EEA & Swiss citizens who have not yet applied to the EU Settlement Scheme. The 30th June deadline is fast approaching, and Advice NI believe many will leave it too late to apply and as a result won't be able to access public services such as health care, social security benefits and education. We have attached a poster with this bulletin to assist parents who fall into this category. Contact Advice NI NOW for free help and support to get your EUSS application submitted before the deadline of the 30th June 2021. Freephone 0800 915 4604



Holidays 2021-22

A copy of our holidays and School Development Days has been sent with this bulletin. Please ensure that you print this off or save to your device as a reminder of these dates. A copy will also be uploaded to the school website.

Remaining School Closure Days for this Academic Year

Friday 28th May (School Development Day)
Monday 31st May (Bank Holiday)
Tuesday 1st June (School Development Day)
Monday 14th June (School Development Day)



Finally...

Most restrictions have now been lifted and the weather forecast for the next few days is sunshine. After the lockdown we have had, I hope that everyone is able to make the most of this long weekend and we will see the children back at school, at normal staggered times, on Wednesday 2nd June. Stay safe and remember that if we all remain vigilant and careful, we can avoid further lockdowns and get back to normal.