



CIPS Weekly Bulletin

Parking Reminder



Congestion on the Cliftonville Road, both in the morning and again at home time, causes us great concern. Some people are parking up the kerb which can cause inconvenience and danger to pedestrians.

In addition, we would remind parents that Easton Avenue is a private road and therefore should not be driven up or parked in.

We would ask that parents take this into consideration when parking. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

Dogs on school property

Please do not bring your dog onto school property – this is an Education Authority regulation.

Dogs, even on leads, cannot enter the playground or be inside the school gates or on the school paths. Even the cutest, gentle and most obedient dog can have a 'bad day' which could result in a child being scarred for life! Please work with the school to keep everyone safe.



SEN Survey

The Education Authority is currently reviewing how they provide information to parents and other stakeholders. Their overall aim is to make it easier, clearer and more straightforward to access information about Special Educational Needs (SEN). As part of this process they have launched an online questionnaire and have asked parents to complete it. The questionnaire can be accessed at the below link

but we will also send it as a text:



<https://consultations.nidirect.gov.uk/de-education-authority/72f76982/>

School Photographs



Please note that the school photographer will be coming to school on the **Thursday 18th and Friday 19th November**. During this visit, he will take individual photographs of all pupils. Unfortunately, as it stands, no family photographs will be taken at this time. Whilst Tempest Photography will do their best to deliver before Christmas, there is no guarantee.



Flu Vaccine

Consent forms for the flu vaccine were sent home with your child. If you still have not returned this form – please bring it to the school office on Monday 15th. We are facilitating this for the Belfast Trust and have been informed that they will only be offering a nasal spray. Any child returning a form, requiring the injection, will be issued with a letter to go to their GP.



The immunisation sessions will take place on **Tuesday 23rd November**.

School Meals Menu – Monday 15th November (Week 3)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Savoury Mince & Onion Fresh Baton Carrots Broccoli Florets Mashed Potato	Breaded Cod Fish Fingers Baked Beans Sweetcorn & Peas Mashed Potatoes	Roast Beef Stuffing & Gravy Fresh Savoy Cabbage Oven Roast & Mashed Potatoes	Breast of Chicken Curry Boiled Rice Naan Bread Sweetcorn Tossed Salad	Hotdog, Sauté Onions Peas Selection of Salads Baby Boiled Potatoes Chips
Chocolate & Orange Sponge & Custard	Swiss Roll Custard	Popcorn Cookies Water Melon	Yoghurts Pineapples	Ice Cream & Fresh Fruit Salad

Christmas Dinner



The canteen will offer a Christmas Dinner for pupils on Thursday 9th December.

The price will be the normal £2.60 or free to children who are entitled to Free School Meals.

The meal will consist of:

Turkey / Ham / Stuffing / Cocktail Sausages

Roast Potatoes / Cream Potatoes / Mixed Vegetables / Gravy

Ice Cream/ Juice

Covid Update



Case numbers in the community continue to cause concern and we must all do our very best to bring the figures down. Parents must continue to take all precautions to protect everyone within our school so please do not, under any circumstances, send a child to school where they display symptoms – cough, temperature and loss of smell or taste. If this is the case, it is essential that you inform the office so that they can ensure that the appropriate absence mark is recorded against your son/daughter's name.

A child with Covid symptoms should only return to school on receipt of a **negative PCR test** result, provided they are well enough and have not had a fever for 48 hours. If a test is not carried out, the child should not return to school for 10 days. Parents should inform the school office if their child receives a **POSITIVE PCR TEST**.

Picking Up Your Children at Home Time

P1 – P4 children will continue to be dismissed from the Junior Playground. P5 – P7 pupils will be dismissed at the front of the school to meet their parent as arranged on the Cliftonville Road.

If there is any change in Pick Up arrangements, for example, a family friend is picking up your child, please inform the school office who can then let the teacher know.



Good Luck!



Over the next four weeks, some of our Primary Seven children will be sitting entrance exams for some of the local grammar schools. We wish all the children the very best of luck and commend them for their hard work, effort and the sacrifices that they have made in preparation for these tests.

Healthy Eating

The Education Authority have published some useful leaflets on healthy eating habits for young children. They are attached to the bulletin.



Finally.....



We will be celebrating Anti-bullying week from 15th-19th November and the theme for this year is 'One Kind Word'. We will begin the week with Odd Socks Day on Monday. Pupils should come to school on **Monday** in school uniform but wear odd socks, to celebrate their uniqueness on Anti-bullying week.

The importance of the effect of 'One Kind Word' will be promoted throughout the week and beyond. Kindness is more important today than it has ever been. The isolation of the last year has underlined how little acts of consideration can break down barriers and brighten the lives of the people around. This is one of the reasons that 'One Kind Word' has been chosen as the theme of Anti-bullying week.

Please encourage your children to say one kind word each day to join in the goal of our school community, during this week and beyond.