



CIPS Weekly Bulletin

Covid Update



I have been demoting our Covid headlines over the past weeks to try and return to normality but feel that we must once again put it to the top of our bulletin as Case numbers increase within the community and measures are reintroduced by Stormont.

As I have said many times, we all need to work together to get our lives back on track and return to normality. We will only do this if we continue to do our bit for society and ensure that we take every precaution to break transmission and reverse the current trend of cases. 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 we all do our bit, then maybe we will all have the Christmas that we deserve!

International Award Success!

Our school was successful in gaining accreditation in the International School Award, which we will now hold for three years from 2021-2024. It is testament to the rich and diverse heritage represented in our school community. I would like to thank all the staff and pupils for helping us achieve this milestone but in particular, Mrs Lynch for co-ordinating and submitting the application.



To celebrate this achievement, we have organised a celebration day for pupils on Friday 3rd December. The children will participate in various in-class activities throughout the day and some other special treats.

School Photographs



The school photographer managed to photograph all the children on Thursday but will return to us again, after Christmas, to photograph classes, children missed and maybe even families, depending on the current guidance.

Flu Vaccine

Don't forget that the Belfast Trust will be in school next **Tuesday 23rd November** to carry out the immunisation programme for all parents that have given consent. As previously stated, 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.



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.

School Meals Menu – Monday 22nd November (Week 4)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pasta Bolognese with Sliced Crusty Bread Salad Peas Mashed Potatoes Flakemeal Biscuit Fruit Salad Milkshake	Breast of Chicken Curry Boiled Rice Naan Bread Tossed Salad Peas & Mash Potatoes Jam & Coconut Sponge Custard	Roast Breast of Chicken Herb Stuffing, Gravy Cauliflower Cheese Baton Carrots & Turnip Roast & Mash Potatoes Frozen Strawberry Mousse & Fresh Fruit Salad	Irish Stew Homemade Wheaten Bread Broccoli Florets Mashed Potatoes Chocolate Brownie Orange Wedge	Breaded Cod Fillet Sweetcorn Crunchy Coleslaw Tossed Salad Chips Baked Potato Arctic Roll & Fruit

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

Finally.....

We are currently finalising our admissions criteria for 2022/23 and this will be submitted to the Department of Education shortly. The Department is advising that schools should run events other than Open Days. Our overriding duty is to keep our community safe and we are currently working on a number of exciting things to promote our school in other ways. In the meantime, we would ask that parents who know someone wanting to enrol their child for September 2022, should tell them to contact the school directly for more information and to arrange an appointment.