



Welcome to the February edition of Sunnylands News!

We continue to move quickly through the school year, with a busy February ahead. Parental Interviews are set for next week, before half term, please come along and learn how your child is progressing, what we are doing to help them and how you can work alongside us too.

We would encourage your child to participate in Children's Mental Health Week next week and the Superhero Day to support Carrickfergus Baby Bank.

Remember to keep the newsletter in a safe place to be reminded of all the important dates in the school calendar in February and beyond.

Mrs J. Lyons

Please DO NOT drive into the school grounds to drop off or collect your child, park outside and walk in. If your child attends breakfast club they should not arrive until 8am. Pupils should enter through the Senior gate and follow the path to the breakfast club entrance.

Do you need our help?

Please contact school if you are in need of any financial assistance and are struggling. Ask to speak with Mrs Lyons or Mrs Curry.

We are very grateful to Ownies Bistro for helping us to make this assistance possible.

World Book Day

We will celebrate World Book Day on Friday 8th March and would encourage all pupils to dress as a character from their favourite book. This does not need to be a bought outfit, home made is always great!

We will be giving everyone a questionnaire to complete about school life as you come to parental interviews. We would ask that you complete these and leave them with us. All responses will be anonymous.

Dates for your Diary

There will be NO clubs week beginning 5th February. Breakfast Club will continue as usual.

Parental Interviews Wed 7th/Thurs 8th February
Pupils will finish at 1pm Wed – Fri to facilitate this.

(Pupils will have lunch before leaving school)

Half Term: Mon 12th – Fri 16th Feb

4th – 8th March Book Fair

8th March – Dress as book character

18th March: Pupils will finish school at **12:30pm.**

Lunch will not be provided.

Easter Holidays 28th March -10^h April

BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair will be in school from Mon 4th March until Fri 8th March. Children will have the opportunity to visit the book fair during the day. Parents are welcome to come into school at both 2pm and 3pm to visit the book fair from Wed- Fri.

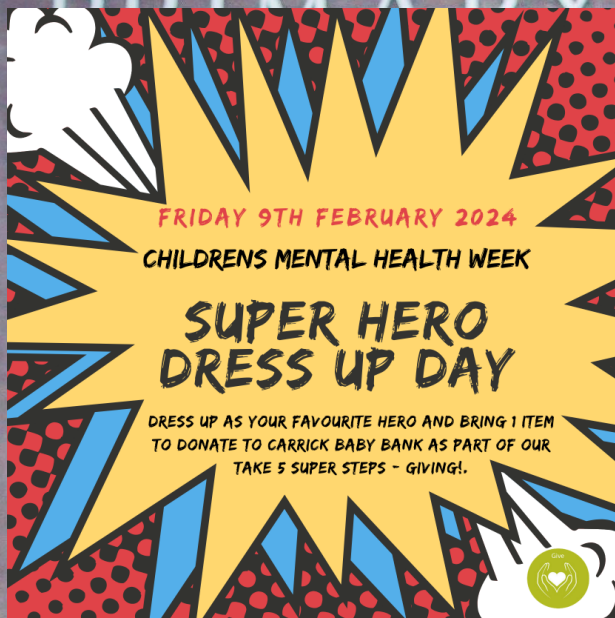
P7 Pupils

A huge WELL DONE to our P7 pupils who received their SEAG results last weekend. Each of them worked very hard and we are proud of each of them, and the effort they put in.

Absences and Lateness

Please work with us to get your child into school on time each day, the school day starts at 8:50am and it is very disruptive to have children interrupting when lessons have already started, the children are also missing out on valuable teaching and information. An increasing number of children have attendance falling below 85% and this requires us to contact the Education Welfare Officer. Please work with us to ensure your child/children attend school regularly.

If your child is absent from school, please send a note the day they return to explain the reason. We are having to send/phone home to ask for this.



Little Rays of Sunshine

Come and join our tots group.



We meet each Monday morning from 9am until 10:30am in the hall. We would love to see you and your little one!



Dinner Menu

A new dinner menu will start after half term and will run through the remainder of the year. This will be posted on the website, with dates, in the near future.

Please check that there is an item on the menu that your child is likely to eat prior to sending them to dinners.

Parent Governor

Are you interested in becoming a parent representative on our Board of Governors?

A meeting will be held in the hall on Thursday 8th Feb. at 9:30am for those interested.

Children's Mental Health Week

The week will look at each aspect of 'Take Five'. We are a Take Five school and holders of a level 3 award.

Monday 5th Feb – **BE ACTIVE** – Do the **Daily Mile** in the school playground

Tuesday 6th Feb – **CONNECT** – 'Let's Connect' classroom poster activity

Wednesday 7th Feb – **TAKE NOTICE** – 'Rainbow Quest' a fun activity for pupils to complete on their way to/from school

Thursday 8th Feb – **KEEP LEARNING** – 'Take 5 Sensory Discovery' challenge

Friday 9th Feb – **GIVE** – **Superhero Day**: pupils and staff to dress up as a Superhero and bring an item for Carrickfergus Baby Bank.

Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Lyons at any time if you have a question or query about any school issue.

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