



# January

## Newsletter

### Congratulations

We are delighted to let you know that Mrs Johnston has had a baby boy. Thomas arrived just before Christmas and we wish both Mr and Mrs Johnston our congratulations!



### Christmas Hamper Draw

Thank you to the PTA for their assistance with our Christmas activities. Our draw raised £72.10 and congratulations to our winners Murphy and Josh.

### Save the Children

Our Christmas Jumper Day collection for Save the Children raised £93.35. Thank you for your generosity.

### Admissions for September 2021

Enrolment to P1 for next year opened on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January at 12 noon and will close on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January at 12 noon. Applications are not on a 'first come, first served basis'.

As we were unable to host an Open Day this year however please view our Virtual Open Day video on our school website at [www.milltownprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.milltownprimaryschool.co.uk) and encourage others that you know to access it. As parents, your help in marketing the school is always welcome. Do let others know of the opportunities available here in Milltown; as a staff we are proud of what we do. P1 applications should be completed online at

[www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions](http://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions). School would be happy to assist any family who would like help applying, please get in contact with us.

### AQE Transfer Test

The revised date for the AQE transfer is Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February. Virtual Familiarisation for pupils is available on Banbridge Academy's website under 'Admissions' and this will provide you with important details about procedures. If there are any further changes to these arrangements, I will let you know as soon as I become aware of them.

### Home Learning

All lessons will now take place on Seesaw and will be supported by the resources sent home on Monday. Class teachers can be contacted each day on Seesaw, during school hours, should you have any queries or need additional guidance or help.



### In-school Supervision

School will remain open for vulnerable pupils and the pupils of key workers. If you are eligible for your child to attend school, it is only to be used if no other safe alternative is available to you. It is in everyone's best interests to minimise contacts during this pandemic to safeguard all pupils and adults.

In school, pupils will be supervised as they complete their Seesaw activities each day. No face-to-face teaching will take place. Depending on pupil numbers, it may not be possible for all lessons to be completed; parents are still expected to review work each evening and complete it as necessary.

All supervision needs to be booked in advance. Please contact Mrs Wright by phone/email on [hwright575@c2ken.net](mailto:hwright575@c2ken.net) by **Thursday at 3pm** each week to book days for the following week. This is essential in order to ensure staffing can be organised. As a school we will do our best to support you, but all supervision is dependent on enough staff being available.

Pupils who attend school will need to wear their school uniform, bring their schoolbag, break and packed lunch. No school meals are being served.

### Half term

School will be closed the week beginning Monday 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February for half-term. During this week there will be no lessons on Seesaw.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Wright  
Principal

