

PTA Christmas Activities

A massive thank you to all the members of the PTA and our parents. With your hard work and support, an incredible £745.50 has been raised through the Winter Warmer, Christmas Raffle, Quiz and Disco.

Danske Bank

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There will be a visit from Danske Bank on Monday 15th January. Each class will be looking at money and budgeting.

Student Placement

Mr Kinnen will be in school in P4/5 and P6/7 this term. Mr Kinnen is a student teacher from Stranmillis University College.

Admissions to Milltown PS for September 2024

Enrolment to P1 for next year opens on Tuesday 9th January at 12 noon and will close on Friday 26th January at 12 noon. Applications are not on a 'first come, first served basis'.

P1 applications should be completed online at 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.

If you know any family who was unable to attend our Open Day and would like to see around the school, encourage them to get in touch with us.

Open Days

The following dates and times have been arranged by our local post primary schools for their Open Days:

Banbridge High School - Thursday 11th January @ 7pm

Banbridge Academy - Monday 29th January @ 7nm

New-Bridge Integrated College - Saturday 13th January @ 9:15am

St Patrick's College, Banbridge – Thursday 11th January @ 7pm

Tandragee Junior High - Thursday 11th January @ 7pm

JANUARY/FEBRUARY

NEWSLETTER

PTA Clothing Stall

As mentioned in our December Newsletter, the PTA will be hosting a clothing swap in January. All Christmas jumpers, costumes, and items of uniform/clothing which you no longer require may be brought into school from Thursday 4th –

Friday 12th
January. The
clothing stall will
run on the mornings
and afternoons of
Tuesday 16th and
Wednesday 17th
January at 8:40am
and 2:45pm. If you



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select clothing, there will be the opportunity to donate to PTA funds. Any clothing not taken from this event will then be donated to the clothing bank.

PTA Annual General Meeting

We will hold an AGM on Thursday 25th January at 7pm in the school assembly hall. This meeting is open to all parents and guardians. I would encourage as many of you to attend. At this meeting we will elect a committee for the remainder of this year who will lead in planning fun activities for pupils and fundraising events.

Activity Clubs 1 and 2

These clubs continue every Monday - Wednesday this half term for P1-3 from 1:45-2:45pm and P1-7 from 2:45-3:45pm. These clubs will provide homework support and play activities.

Our Friday club themes for this half term are:

5th January - Wii and iPad games

12th January - Clay

19th January - Clay

26th January - Sensory jars

2nd February - Art and craft

9th February - Board games

Please book all clubs each week on a Monday to assist planning. Clubs continue to be priced at £2.50 per session.

Music Lessons

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Our music tuition will continue on the following days:

Piano - starting on Friday 12th January. Violin starting - Tuesday 9th January.

Woodwind starting Friday 5th January.



Bee Active

Bee Active will return each Thursday afternoon to run sports clubs. Clubs will begin on 11th January. Both P1-3 and P4-7 sessions will have multi-sports.



Booking forms will be handed out when we return. Please return the booking form by Tuesday 9^{th} January.

School Procedures and Routines

See a few general reminders:

- Pupils should be supervised prior to school doors opening at 8:40 each morning.
- Punctuality is important. School begins at 8:55am. Any pupil arriving after the bell will receive a 'late' mark in line with Education Authority attendance policy.
- Black shoes should be worn on non-P.E. days.
- Pupils attending Bee Active may wear
 P.E. uniform each Thursday.
- Ensure pupils have a coat with them each day for outdoor activities and breaks.
- Cars should park in the lower playground at pupil drop off and collection times unless an exemption has been arranged.

Website and Facebook Page

Please continue to engage with these forms of communication. The calendar feature on the Home Page of the website can be used as a quick reminder of school activities. Also continue to share content on Facebook as this is an excellent way of letting others know what is happening in Milltown.

Half term

School will be closed the week beginning Monday 12th February for half-term. It will reopen on Monday 19^{th} February.

Kind regards, Mrs Wright

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