## Welcome back Mrs Johnston!

Mrs Johnston will return from maternity leave on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December to teach P3/4/5 on a Thursday and Friday. We would like to thank Mrs McBurney for all her hard work while covering Mrs Johnston's leave.

## Congratulations P6/7

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I would like to congratulate all the P6 and 7 pupils who came second place in a competition run by Hope for Youth Ministries. As a prize, each pupil in P6/7 received a book by Colin Tinsley. The pupils were delighted when Colin came last Friday to present these in person.

#### Daily Mile Santa Run

Pupils will be taking part in the Daily Mile Santa Run on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**. For this event pupils may wear a Santa/Winter Hat/hair accessory.

### <u>Pantomime</u>

A school trip to the Waterfront to see 'Cinderella' will take place on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December. A reminder that all pupils should arrive for 8:30am and will go home on our return at 1pm.



## After School Clubs

Our afterschool clubs will continue in December on the following dates: Christmas Crafts - 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> December

Football Club - 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> December

Please note the change of date of Football Club - This club will take place on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December instead of Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> due to our pantomime trip. Also ensure your child has a hat and gloves for Football Club as they may be outside.

I would like to thank LLTCA and Bee Active for all their help with after school clubs this term.

# <u>December</u>

# Newsletter

## **Open Evening**

Our Open Evening will be held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December from 6:30-8:30 pm. Please encourage any families you know to come and have a look around the school. Due to the current restrictions, adults will be required to wear a face covering within school. **All pupils will go home at 1:45pm on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December** so the school can be set up for the Open Evening.

## <u>Christmas Dinner</u>

Christmas Dinner will be served on Friday 10th December. We will make this occasion as festive as possible for the pupils. This will be a nonuniform day; pupils may wear a Christmas/Winter jumper, Christmas hat/hair accessory. As is the tradition in Milltown, we will be supporting Save the Children on this occasion. A small donation can be sent in with your child.

## Christmas Performance

This year our Christmas Performance will be presented on our school website at www.milltownprimaryschool.co.uk. We will notify you when this is posted.

## Christmas Cards

Our school post boxes will be out from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December for pupils who would like to send Christmas Cards. Cards will be distributed on a daily basis.



## <u>Secret Santa</u>

Each class will operate a "Secret Santa". If you would like your child to take part, bring one Christmas gift suitable for someone of their age, costing no more than £5. Girls should bring a gift for a girl (marked with the letter 'G'), and boys, a gift for a boy (marked with the letter 'B'). Please have all gifts into school for **Tuesday** 14<sup>th</sup> December.

## Christmas Raffle

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The Parent Teacher Association are having a Christmas Raffle with two winners each receiving a hamper. Entries cost £1 each. To enter the raffle, enclose your money in a named, sealed envelope and send it to school on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December. All names will be entered into the draw which will take place on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December. Please note that dinner money and raffle money should be in separate envelopes.

#### Quiz Fundraiser

The Parent Teacher Association are also running a quiz. Quiz entries will be sent home with each family with each sheet costing £1. All guizzes and money should be returned to school by Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

## Procedures

Thank you for continuing to be so vigilant regarding Covid-19.

Please continue to be alert to potential symptoms. If your child is unwell, they should not attend school. If symptoms could be Covid-19 related, arrange a PCR test for your child prior to their return and forward the result to school via the email address below.

These procedures will minimise the risk of introducing and spreading any infection within our school community.

If any family needs to contact the school over evenings and weekends, please use the email address hwright575@c2ken.net. Only Covid-19 concerns will be dealt with out of school hours.

## Christmas Holidays

School will close on Tuesday 21st December. P1-3 pupils and siblings should be collected at 11:50am and P4-7 at 12 noon. School will reopen on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

I would like to wish you all a blessed and safe Christmas.

Kind regards, Mrs Wright

