Bushmills Primary School & Nursery Unit



October 2016

October Update

As we approach our half-term break, I would like to take the opportunity to remind you of the following:

Extended Schools

Due to Parent/Teacher interviews being held this Wednesday and Thursday (26th and 27th October) there will be **no Extended Schools activities on these days**. Therefore please be reminded that school will finish for **all** pupils at 1:50pm on both of these days. I would ask that all pupils are collected promptly on both days as teachers will be seeking to get back into school on time for interviews which are due to begin at 2:00pm.

A creche will also be available on both afternoons in the play room and in order to enable interviews to take place uninterrupted I would ask that you avail of this facility. Your co-operation with this matter would be greatly appreciated!

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Please note that Parent/Teacher interview reply slips were due to be returned to school no later than Friday 21st October. Unfortunately some of these remain outstanding. Please ensure it is returned to school tomorrow otherwise it will be assumed you are unable to attend and further arrangements can be made.

Breakfast Club

Please be reminded that Breakfast Club is held in school every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 8:20am to 8:50am. Unfortunately I am still aware that a number of pupils continue to arrive at school very early and long before 8:50am (and before playground supervision). Numbers at Breakfast Club are increasing and I would love to see pupils inside enjoying breakfast rather than having to stand about outside before supervision begins!

Harvest Assembly

Please be reminded that our Harvest Assembly takes place this Wednesday (26th October) at 9:30am. Primary I to Primary 3 will be performing 'The Little Black Cloud', our school choir will be singing and some instrumentalists will be playing. Rev N Cubitt (Bushmills Presbyterian) has also kindly agreed to come along and finish assembly with a short epilogue. Please note the assembly will last approximately 30—40 minutes.

Hallowe'en Disco

Our Hallowe'en disco (organised by the P.T.A.) will take place this Thursday (27th October). Please be reminded times are as follows:

Nursery to Primary 3 - 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Primary 4 to Primary 7 - 7:15pm to 8:30pm

Please ensure your child/children are collected promptly at the end of the disco.

<u>Update</u>

I am delighted to report that Mrs Howard (Christina) who works in our school kitchen is thankfully making progress. Although she remains in the Royal Victoria Hospital in Belfast, she is slowly on the road to recovery. We continue to keep her and her family in our thoughts and prayers in the days and weeks which lie ahead.

Reminders

- ⇒ October Newsletter will be published on Friday 28th October. Please remember to check school bags on Friday evening
- ⇒ School will finish on Friday 28th October at the usual time for all pupils for half-term. All pupils return to school on <u>Monday</u> <u>7th November 2016 at 9:00am sharp!</u>