

Roan St Patrick's Primary School

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Principal: Mr S Mone, BA Hons, PGCE, PQH

Dear Parents,

Christmas Closure

The Education Minister has announced that schools are to remain open up to their planned closure dates for Christmas. We will therefore remain open until next Tuesday 22^{nd} December (early finish at 11am - no Breakfast Club). We are aware that there is concern over the possible closure of bubbles that could lead to a period of isolation over the Christmas break. If you feel that you would prefer to take your children out of school from this Friday, we will mark them present next Monday and Tuesday (this is optional as the school will remain open to 11am on the 22^{nd}).

Christmas Fundraiser – Jingle Bell Jog (P1-3) / Christmas Kilometre (P4-7)

Due to the bad weather forecast for Wednesday, our fundraiser will now take place tomorrow – Tuesday 15th December. Children will run in their festive gear (within their bubbles) and will make their way past the Roan Park and Killyliss Manor entrances from 9.30am.

We have been absolutely blown-away by the generosity shown by our school community in these difficult times. Your donations have totalled £3100 to date! We hope to have our new Sensory Room and outdoor learning area completed by term 3. We cannot thank you enough for your continued support.

Covid-19 Protocols

New guidance from the Department stipulates that there can no longer be any face-to-face meetings between parents and teachers and that all in-depth meetings must be held over the phone. We would like to thank you all for your continued support of our Covid-19 protocols, ensuring good hand hygiene and social distancing at all times on the school grounds. It is important to keep your child at home if they are sick and they must be tested if showing symptoms of Covid-19.

Christmas Performance

Our musical Christmas Collaboration will go live on our school website on Friday evening at 6pm. We hope you enjoy the wonderful singing from all of our children!

Primary 1 Admissions – September 2021

The online portal for primary school admissions will be open from $7^{th} - 29^{th}$ January. Guidance is available on our school website. If you need any help with the process, please contact the school in January.

Year 8 Post-Primary Transfer

The year 8 post-primary application process for Primary 7 children will take place online this year. The portal will be open from 1st – 16th March 2021. More details to follow.

Important Dates:

Tues 15th Dec – Jingle Bell Jog / Christmas Kilometre (wear something festive). Thurs 17th Dec – End of Term Awards.

Fri 18th Dec – Christmas Collaboration – School Website @6pm.

Tues 22nd Dec – <u>School Closed at 11am for Christmas break (no Breakfast Club)</u>. Reopen for all children <u>Friday 8th Jan</u> (Breakfast Club as normal).

Yours sincerely,

S Mone

Principal

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