

# October 2017 Bulletin

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## Parent Information Evening

The School Development Plan is a planning document for school improvement, which we, (parents, governors and staff) develop and work towards.

We have planned an important Information Meeting for parents on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm to update parents. It is vitally important that one parent from each family is in attendance, to be updated regarding the Development Plan and Safeguarding our children.

# Health Promoting School

In keeping with DENI recommendations we have provided every pupil in our school with a drinking bottle to allow the intake of fresh water and to ensure hydration throughout the day.

Healthy Eating Theme Days have been organised to encourage children to enjoy a healthy diet at school.

Pupils who take lunch, please find attached a leaflet issued by the Public Health Agency to support and give ideas to parents for preparing healthy lunches.

Each month we have allocated a theme in Personal Development and Mutual Understanding to support the preventative curriculum. This month's theme is 'Looking After Yourself'. During the month lessons will focus on Internet Safety, Fire Safety, Healthy Eating and Keeping Clean.

### School Closures for Halloween

School will close on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October at 1pm and will re-open on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017.

On behalf of the staff I hope you have a safe and enjoyable Halloween Break.

# Dates for Your Diary

12th October - Flu Vaccinations

13<sup>th</sup> October – Healthy Eating Harvest Theme Day

17<sup>th</sup> October – Parent Information Meeting 21<sup>st</sup> October – Coffee Morning in aid of school Funds

27<sup>th</sup> October - Healthy Eating Theme Day for Halloween

21<sup>st</sup> October - P4 'Do this in Memory' Mass in St. Patrick's Church at 7pm

### Book Club

The school organises the Scholastic Book Club which allows parents and children to purchase books at a reasonable price while at the same time gaining commission on every book to enable the school to obtain free books. Please find attached this month's Scholastic Book Club Leaflet to be returned to the school by **Friday** 13<sup>th</sup> October with any orders.

#### <u>Thank you</u>

Thank you to all the pupils who donated £1 for our Jeans for Genes collection last Thursday. The P7 class presented a cheque for £80.00 to Ashling McKenna who is involved with the charity.

#### <u>New Staff</u>

We welcome to our staff Mrs Marian Shevlin our new clerical officer and Mrs Christina Kavanagh our new building supervisor both of whom replace Mrs Martina McCaughey. It is hoped to make a presentation to Martina from staff and pupils at Halloween.