



EBRINGTON PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

February 2019 Newsletter

Parent-Teacher Interviews

Reminder-the parent-teacher interviews are taking place this Wednesday and Thursday, 6th & 7th February (2:10-5:00) and next Monday and Tuesday, 11th & 12th February (3:10-5:00)

PLEASE NOTE

School will finish at 2:00pm for all pupils on Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th February. As already informed, there will be no after schools available on these days.

P7 Transfer meetings & Transfer Results

Thank you to all the parents for attending the P7 transfer meetings with the principal. It was a great opportunity to meet with you all on a one-to-one basis. A big WELL DONE to all our pupils who received their AQE CEA results last Saturday. All the hard work and preparation paid off!

Half-Term Holidays

REMINDER:

Our half-term holidays for the pupils in February run throughout the week Monday 18-Friday 22 February. Pupils finish on Friday 15 February and will return to school on Monday 25 February.

Reminder: Staff Development Days

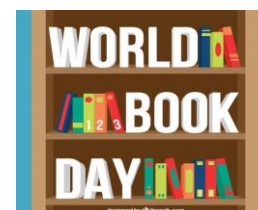
When the 2018-2019 holiday list was sent out, it was noted that 2 further Staff Development Days were to be confirmed.

I wish to inform parents that these two additional days for the school calendar will now be Tuesday 19 March & Wednesday 17 April. Please see below for the amended Spring Term dates:

Half term	Monday 18 - Thursday 21 February
Staff Development Day	Friday 22 February
Bank Holiday-St Patricks Day	Monday 18 March
Staff Development Day	Tuesday 19 March (additional day)
Easter Holidays	Tuesday 16 April - school closes at 12:00 noon
Staff Development Day	Wednesday 17 April (additional day)

World Book Day

We will be asking the pupils to dress up as a character from their favourite book, and to bring the book to school, on Tuesday 5th March. The School Book Fair arrives in school on Wednesday 6th. World Book Day itself, is on Thursday 7 March. Pupils and parents will have the opportunity to view, browse and purchase a wide range of books. More details to follow from Mrs Brown...



Primary 7 Residential Trip

REMINDER: The P7 Trip to Scotland takes place from Tuesday 9th April-Friday 12th April. I am aware that a number of parents have been paying up weekly/ monthly. The balance must be paid in full by Monday 25th March.

Head Lice Awareness

Please note, there have been a few instances of head lice within school. We would ask parents to check their child's hair regularly and to treat appropriately. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

School Successes in January



Firstly, a huge WELL DONE to our Highland Dancers, who had a standing ovation from the audience in the Ulster Hall, at the UTU 100 Years celebration. Ebrington were one of 9 schools across the province represented that night and all the dancers rose to the occasion. I know that for all the parents who were able to attend, it truly was a special occasion. A special THANK YOU to Georgie Kee-McCarter and Mrs L Brown, classroom assistant, for all their organisation in preparing the pupils.

Many congratulations to Mrs McCrea on the safe arrival of her new baby boy **Harrison Andrew John**, born on Tuesday 29th January.

Next, another huge WELL DONE to our choir, who won their regional heat of the School Choir of the Year 2019. They competed against 6 other schools-some from as far away as Portrush and Ballyclare, to progress to the semi-finals, in Newtownards, on Monday 4th March. One of the judges commented that it was a 'masterclass in choral singing'. We are all so proud of the pupils in the choir and so grateful for the talents of Miss Stone and Mrs Wasson in their dedication in preparing the pupils.



Music Tuition Fees

Reminder – Parents whose children avail of Peripatetic Music Tuition in school, and are not entitled to Free School Meals, payment should be received each Thursday, unless block paid.

Holiday List

Please be aware, holiday list for 2019-2020 has been sent off to the Education Authority and awaits approval. We will be able to share this with parents as soon as confirmation is received.