

Ebrington Primary School

April 2018

Newsletter



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I hope everyone had an enjoyable Easter – it's



hard to believe that we are into the final term of another school year and the final term of my school career!

New Principal

The new Principal will be **Mr Brian Guthrie**. Mr Guthrie was Vice Principal in Eglinton P.S. and is presently Principal of Bready Jubilee Primary School. I have no doubt that Mr Guthrie will prove to be an excellent Principal and take this school to even greater heights.

Junior Choir



Our Junior Choir will travel to Coleraine on Wednesday 25th April for their Annual Music Festival. We are entering two classes – a wonderful opportunity for the children to showcase their singing talents in a competitive environment.

Congratulations to our School Football Team



Having recently qualified as Champions of the Londonderry Futsal heats, Ebrington P.S. headed to Newtownabbey to compete in the National Finals. A draw against Ballymacash P.S., followed by wins against St. Mary's Strabane and Bridge Integrated P.S. ensured progression to the semi-finals! A dramatic penalty shout out win over Dundonald P.S. – especially having been behind twice, ensured Ebrington reached their first National final in recent years! Unfortunately, it was not to be! A 3-1 defeat against St. Patrick's, Saul, in the final, dampened spirits. However, the Ebrington boys should hold their heads high as they were fantastic ambassadors for both the school and the City. Well done boys and a big thank you to Mr Moore for looking after all arrangements.

School Trip



Our Annual School Trip to Manchester leaves on Monday 30th April. The

boys, girls and teachers are looking forward to an action packed week, including visits to Alton Towers, Anfield and the Lowry to name just a few events. We look forward to everyone returning safe on Friday 4th May 2018.

Nursery (September 2018)

Letters confirming a place in Nursery for September 2018 will be posted on Thursday 26 April for arrival on **Friday 27th April**. A separate letter will follow, giving details of meetings and Open Days.

Year 1 Places

Letters confirming a place in Year 1 for September 2018 will be posted to homes on Thursday 26 April for arrival on **Friday 27 April**. Again a separate letter will follow, giving details of meetings and open days.

Year 7 Transfer Process

A letter informing parents which post-primary school your child has been placed at will be posted on **Friday 18th May 2018**.

Holiday List 2018/19

Enclosed with this Newsletter is the holiday list for 2018/19. Please remember that any holiday list is subject to minor amendments and that there are still two Development Days to be decided. However, these have been left to the new Principal to make a final decision on. As stated before, our school will not be used as a polling station.

Chewing Gum

Mr O'Bryan has informed me that he is finding more and more chewing gum in and around the school. No pupil should be bringing gum into school as it is a very quick way to ruin the appearance of our lovely new school.

Traffic

Just a reminder to continue to show courtesy and patience when parking or dropping off each day. I can only reiterate that all signage should be followed and that includes the large



left turn arrow at the main entrance.

Coming Up!

Election of Parent Governors (2018-2022)

Very soon we will be writing to parents to invite you to attend a meeting to elect parent representatives.

Included will be a:

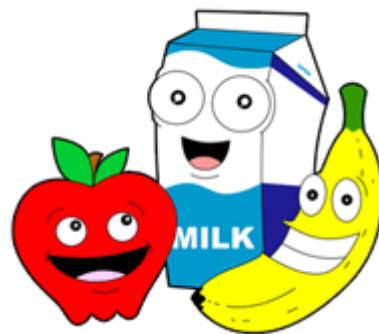
- (i) Reply Slip
- (ii) Nomination Forms - should you wish to nominate a person(s) as parent representatives.
- (iii) Personal Statement Forms.
- (iv) Information Leaflet on the roles and responsibilities of board of governors.



New for September 2018

Online Payment System for School Meals

The school will be introducing a new Online Payment System to start in the final week of September 2018. The iPayimpact is a simple, easy to use website, offering parents a convenient and flexible way to make payments on line. Only requirements are a debit/credit card. Accounts can be viewed and managed from any location or device with an internet connection.



Dates for your Dates

Monday 30th April – Fri 4th May Manchester School Trip

Monday 7th May 1st Bank Holiday

Monday 28th May 2nd Bank Holiday

Tuesday 29th May Staff Development Day
(School Closed)

Friday 29th June Last day of term – school
closes at 12 noon.

