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## M O N D A Y N E W S

3rd October 2022

### Dates for your Diary

**Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct:** Parish Day, Our Lady of Lourdes Church – Everyone Welcome

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>-Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Oct:** Cycle to school Week

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct:** P1's photo being taken for Derry Journal

**Tues 4<sup>th</sup> Oct:** Credit Union Savings Day

**Tues 4<sup>th</sup> Oct @ 3.30pm:** P1 Curriculum Meeting

**Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Oct @ 7.00pm:** P7 Confirmation Service of Light in Our Lady of Lourdes Church

### After School Clubs

Club	Day	Time
ICT/Mathletics/Acc Reader Club Y4-Y7	Mon – Fri	08.30am
Wrap Around Club	Mon-Fri	3.00-4.55pm
<b>Monday</b>		
P2 Afterschool Club	Monday	2.15-3.00pm
Homework Club – Y4-Y7	Monday	3.05 – 4.00pm
First Aid Club – Age 6+	Monday	3.05 – 4.00pm
Gaelic Y6-7	Monday	3.05 – 4.00pm
Dance Y3-7	Monday	4.00 – 4.30pm
Literacy/Numeracy Y7	Monday	3.05-4.00pm
<b>Tuesday</b>		
P2 Afterschool Club	Tuesday	2.15-3.00pm
Athletics Cross Country Y4-Y7	Tuesday	8.30 – 9.00am
Drama Club Y4-Y7	Tuesday	3.05 – 4.00pm
Homework Club – Y4-Y7	Tuesday	3.05 – 4.00pm
Gaelic – Y6-Y7	Tuesday	3.05 – 4.00pm
Arts & Crafts P4 – P7	Tuesday	3:05 – 4:00pm
Swimming Beginners & Improvers Y6-Y7 (W/C 12/09-28/11)	Tuesday	3.30-4.00pm
<b>Wednesday</b>		
P2 Afterschool Club	Wednesday	2.15-3.00pm
Homework Club – Y4-Y7	Wednesday	3.05 – 4.00pm
Eco, Garden & Forest Schools (Term 1 Y4 & Y5)	Wednesday	3:05 – 4:00pm
Netball –Y5, Y6 & Y7 Shantallow Community Centre	Wednesday	3.05 – 4.00 pm
Arts, Crafts & Crochet Y4-Y7	Wednesday	3.05-4.00pm
Traditional Music	Wednesday	3.05-4.00pm
Literacy/Numeracy – Y7	Wednesday	3.05 – 4.00pm
<b>Thursday</b>		
P2 Afterschool Club	Thursday	2.15-3.00pm
Athletics Cross Country Y4-Y7	Thursday	8.30 – 9.00am
Homework Club – Y4-Y7	Thursday	3.05 – 4.00 pm
Soccer Y6/Y7 initially Shantallow Community Centre	Thursday	3.05 – 4.00 pm
Cookery/Baking Club Y4 Y4 (W/C 12/09 – W/C 20/10)	Thursday	3.05 – 4:00pm
<b>Friday</b>		
P2 Afterschool Club	Friday	2.15-3.00pm

### Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is ongoing each day from 08:15am.

The cost is 50p and the remainder is subsidised for the children by the School. Breakfast provides a healthy start to each

### New School Messaging App –Teachers2Parents

Steelstown PS have sent all parents a message to inform you of our new text messaging service. Please save this number as Steelstown PS as all messages will be sent via this system. You can also download the Parent2teachers App to receive all notices.

teachers2parents

### Cycle to School Week

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>- Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Oct is 'Cycle to School' Week. We encourage families to cycle or scoot to school during this week long event.

It's a great way to celebrate the benefits an active school run brings, including its positive impact on children's health and wellbeing, local air quality and carbon emissions.

You can send pictures of you on your journey to your child's teacher through SeeSaw. We look forward to seeing your pictures.

### Friends Of Steelstown

Thank you to everyone who attended our Friends of Steelstown Meeting. We appreciate your ideas & support.

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### Free School Meals

If you have not already done so, please make sure your Free School Meal application is submitted. If you have not heard from the meals department in over 4 week's please follow the guidance on the graphic attached.

Are you waiting on expected approval for a Free School Meals or Uniform Allowance application for your child/children? Please read below.



#### You Must Apply Every Year

You must reapply every year and include all children for whom you have parental responsibility and who will be full-time at school or Regional/FE College. Ensure that you upload the correct documents with your application.



#### Not heard from us? Check the status of your application in your account

If you submitted your application **more than four weeks ago** but have not received confirmation that your child/children will receive Free School Meals and Uniform Allowance, first check your email including your junk folder. If you have not received an email, contact us at **mealsanduniform@eani.org.uk**, quoting your National Insurance Number and your submission ID.



#### Applied within the last four weeks

If you have applied in the past four weeks you will receive an email from us shortly. It can take up to four weeks to process an application. Thank you for your patience.

[www.eani.org.uk/fsm](http://www.eani.org.uk/fsm)



### Healthy Snacks for Break-time

Please remind Children to bring in a Healthy snack for break

Cheese/cheese strings	Yogurt	Crackers	One Piece of Fruit

### School App

Parents are advised to download the school app for communications regarding your child and important school dates. Search 'Schools NI' and select **Steelstown Primary School**.

### Parent Pay

Reminder that all Parents/guardians must sign up to the Parent Pay system and book children in for their meals each day. If your child is not on Free School Meals and you mark the child in for dinner a £2.60 charge will be assigned to your account.



**ParentPay**  
COUNT ON US

### Credit Union Savings Scheme

We had a great response to the savings scheme at Steelstown PS.

The aim of the scheme is to encourage children to appreciate the value of small regular savings. The boys & girls can look at their stamped savings cards each week and count up how their money is growing.

Reminder;

- Write your child's name on their blue savings envelope
- The maximum weekly amount is £5
- Put the envelope & savings card in the plastic pouch
- Bring the pouch to School every Tuesday before 10am.

Only send rounded amounts to 50p. i.e., 50p, £1.00, £1.50 up to £5.00. Euros cannot be accepted



### Halloween Disco

Steelstown P.S Halloween Disco will take place on **Wed 26<sup>th</sup> October**. More details to follow!

### Primary 4 DTIM Mass

Thank you to Fr McDevitt and everyone involved in Primary 4's 'Do this In Memory' Mass on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept. Well done to our boys and girls, families, offertory gift bearers, post communion reflection reader and our school choir who sang beautifully. The next DTIM mass is Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct.

