



Steelstown Primary School & Nursery Unit

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M O N D A Y N E W S

19th September 2022

Dates for your Diary

Mon 19th Sept: School Closed

Tues 20th Sept @ 11am: Opening Year School Mass in Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Tuesdays :Credit Union Savings Day Y3-Y7

Beginning Tues 27th Sept

Wed 21st Sept @ 7pm: P4 DTIM Meeting in School Hall

Fri 23rd Sept: Closing date for Post Primary Entrance Exam

Sun 25th Sept: P4 DTIM Service of Enrolment in Our Lady of Lourdes Church @ 12.15pm

Wed 19th Oct @ 7pm: Confirmation Service of Light in Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Wed 28th Sept : 7.30pm: Friends of Steelstown Meeting. Everyone Welcome

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 day.

After School Clubs

We are delighted how well the After School Clubs have worked out this week.

Swimming, Eco, Garden & Forest Schools Club and Cookery Club have been broken down into different blocks due to the high number of pupils wishing to attend.

Punctuality & Attendance

Children are to be in class by 9am. After 9am children are to enter via main reception.

Mass – Opening of School Year

The Opening of the School Year Mass can be attended in Our Lady of Lourdes Church or via the Steelstown Parish Webcam at 11am on Tuesday 20th September.

After School Clubs

Club	Day	Time
ICT/Mathletics/Acc Reader Club Y4-Y7 Wrap Around Club	Mon – Fri Mon-Fri	08.30am 3.00-4.55pm
Monday		
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
Tuesday		
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 and Crochet P4 – P7	Tuesday	3.05 – 4.00pm
Swimming Beginners & Improvers Y6-Y7	Tuesday	3.30-4.30pm
Wednesday		
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
Thursday		
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
Friday		
P2 Afterschool Club	Friday	2.15-3.00pm



P4 DTIM Enrolment Mass

Primary 4 Enrolment mass will take place on Sunday 25th Sept @ 12.15pm in Our Lady of Lourdes Church

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
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Free School Meals

Applications for Free School Meals and Uniform Allowance for the new school year are available on the EA Website.

Please note, new applicants & children who were in receipt of Free School Meals in previous years need to **apply again for the new school year**.

You will need to register an account to apply. You will then be able to log back in to check your application.

For more information, visit the Free School Meals and Uniform Allowance page on the EA website: <https://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals>

Until you have received confirmation from the EA to confirm your child's entitlement, please pay for your child's school Meal through ParentPay or send your child with a packed lunch.



Free School Meals & Uniform Allowance
2022/23 Applications Now Open!
You can now submit an application for Free School Meals and Uniform Allowance.
Visit the link above to begin

Canteen Menu

The cost of a School Meal is £2.60 per day.

The canteen menu for September can be viewed on the School Website.

If any child requires a special requirement with meals, please contact Collette at 02871359763 or the School Office

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**.

Credit Union Saving scheme Y3-Y7

This year Y3-Y7 children in Steelstown PS can participate in the Derry Credit Union's School Savings Scheme, CLASS!

This scheme teaches children the value of small, regular savings.

The scheme will permit children to save from 50p to £5 per week over three ten-week terms. Your child's money will be returned in full at the end of the school year in June. While we encourage regular savings, children do not have to save every week and will be given an opportunity to catch up if they miss a week.

Credit Union Day each week is Tuesday.

The first savings will be collected on Tuesday, 27th of September for those children who have already signed up.



ParentPay

Reminder that all parents/guardians must sign up to the ParentPay 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.

Cookery Club

The boys and girls had a hoot of a time making some fruity owl toast in his weeks Cooking club! #SteelstownPSbakeoff
Check out our Website for more Pictures!



Eco Club (Y4 & Y5 in Term 1)

Our Eco Club had fun learning about different seeds, planting, growing and harvesting.

Check out our Website for more pictures!



Sustrans Silver Award

Steelstown PS has received a Silver Award from Sustrans for all our hard work on active travel over the past year.

Our boys and girls have worked so hard to reduce their carbon emissions by making active journeys to school when possible. We are looking forward to all our travel activities for the year ahead. A special mention to Miss Lynch P3 for all her hard work and to our newly elected Eco Committee members from Primary 3 and Primary 4.

What a great start to the year - Well done everyone!

