



FLU VACCINE

Thank you to all parents who sent in their completed Flu Vaccine forms. The school health team are due with us **Wednesday 8th November**.

The vaccine will be given nasally – a quick sniff up each nostril and that's it!

Here's hoping for a flu free school this season.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

What a great day we had for our Spooky Fitness session. The children really engaged with Stephen the coach from 'Healthy Kidz' and they even fitted in the odd dance routine. The day was finished off with Tom Sweeney who entertained the children through songs and story-telling.

*A huge thank you to the parents who continually support us in these ventures. An amazing **£1027** was raised which will go a long way in funding this programme this year.*

FULL ATTENDANCE

November will be the school's drive for full attendance. Each year we are requested to set targets for attendance and also ensure that we are striving to stay ahead of both the Southern Education Authority's target and of the broader N.I. target. We are grateful to those parents who have their children in school each day and on time. The morning routine is an important part of the day and pupils who consistently miss out on this spend the rest of day 'playing catch up'. In order to receive full attendance this month the pupil must be in school each day and remain in school the full school day in order to reap the rewards which our school council will decide.

A small reminder too, when your child is ill or off school, a pink absence note is supplied on their return. This absence note is necessary to update your child's attendance code. Your support with this is greatly appreciated.

PANTOMIME

The school will attend the pantomime in Armagh this year on Wednesday 13th December. Could I request that any outstanding monies are paid to Patricia before the end of the week. Many thanks.

Birthdays Celebrations in November

Sasha Dillon-Coyle

Fiona Devlin

Fionn Devlin-Kelly

Odhran Robinson

Fiachra Coyle

Kayleigh McNally

Jack Devlin

Dara Bleeks

Kate Kelly

Mollie O'Hagan

Amelia McNally

BLYTHSWOOD SHOE BOX APPEAL

*Your support in this very worthy appeal is really appreciated. We know it seems really early but could we have your filled shoe boxes in by **Friday 17th November**. Mrs Hamill will be hosting an assembly next Friday to explain who the shoe boxes are for, what can go in them and the children will see for themselves the joy that they bring to those who are less fortunate than themselves.*

Parent Teacher Meetings Monday 11th December

Our annual parent teacher meetings will take place on **Monday 11th December** – we will be sending out an appointment soon and we would be grateful if you could keep the appointed time. If you need an alternative time we will do our best to accommodate you.

Staff Development

This seems to be the month of training for staff. Staff will be involved in First Aid, Developing a Whole school response to a Critical Incident and ICT. Much of this training is dependent on funding for either substitute cover or for course fees.

Annual Reviews for children who have a statement for their education will be held on Wednesday 29th November. Parents to whom this concerns have already been notified.

DATES FOR THE NOVEMBER DIARY

Date	Event
3 rd	Mr McGahan's class Assembly
8 th	Flu Vaccine
9 th	Scholastic Book Fair
20 th	Mrs Hamills class at AMMA
21 st	Blythswood Shoe Box Appeal

**SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS,
FRIDAY 8th & MONDAY 11th DECEMBER**

Children's Book Fair Thurs 9th - Thurs 16th November 2016

Come along to the school dining room to sample some of the books available as part of our Literacy drive. By buying a book not only do you support your child in their reading but you support school funds as well.

School Council

The school council will meet again on Wednesday 8th November. At this meeting any issues that have been raised with the Council will be discussed.

ERASAMUS

Mrs McBride will commence the Erasmus programme this month when she will attend teacher professional development in Florence. This programme is fully funded and allows the school to gain a broader perspective on the challenges facing education. Mrs McBride will be contributing to educators from Spain, Italy and France and sharing with them the practice from our school. *Bon Voyage.*

Shared Education

Mrs B Hamill's class are steadily making their way through their ICT Shared Education programme working with Mrs Colvin's class from Ballytrea. They will be visiting the AMMA centre in Armagh on Monday 20th November where they will hopefully start to see their project coming to life!



November SCHOOL MEALS



	Week commencing 1 st Nov	Week commencing 6 th Nov	Week commencing 13 th Nov	Week commencing 20 th Nov	Week commencing 27 th Nov
Monday	Mid Term	Pasta Bolognaise Fish Fingers Peas/Carrots/Pasta Mashed Potato/Gravy Chocolate Muffin Cake and Custard	Irish Stew Butchers Burgers Peas/Carrots Mashed Potato/Pasta/Gravy Fruit Sponge Cake and Custard	Cottage Pie Barbecued Chicken Drumsticks Mixed Vegetable Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Flakemeal Biscuit and Fruit	Savoury Mince and Pasta Fish Fingers Peas/Carrots/Pasta Mashed Pots Gravy Jam Sponge and Custard
Tuesday	Mid Term	Cheese and Tomato Chicken Wraps Sweetcorn and Peas Chips and Mashed Pots/Savoury Rice Shortbread Biscuit and Custard	Chicken Curry and Rice Cheese and Tomato Pizza Chips/Mashed/Pots Sweetcorn Pasta Swiss Roll and Chocolate Sauce	Chicken Nuggets Chicken Wrap Chips/Mashed Potato Sweetcorn/Savoury Rice Pasta Apple Crumble and Custard	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Chicken Fried Rice Chips/Mashed Pots Beans/sweetcorn Pasta/Gravy Semolina and fruit
Wednesday	Mid Term	Butchers Burgers Cottage Pie Peas and Beans Mashed Pots/Pasta/ Gravy SwissRoll and Custard	Roast Chicken/Stuffing Peas/Broccoli Mash Potato/Gravy Pasta Jelly and Fruit	Fish Fingers Grilled Bacon Beans/Peas Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Semolina and Fruit	Roast Chicken and Stuffing Carrots and Broccoli Mashed Potato/Pasta/Gravy Apple Crumble and Custard
Thursday	Fish Fingers Pizza Beans/Peas/Pasta Mashed Pots and Chips Apple Crumble and Custard	Roast Chicken and Stuffing Carrots and Broccoli Mashed Pots/Pasta/Gravy Fruit Sponge and Custard	Pasta Bolognaise Fish Fingers Sweetcorn Baked Beans Mash Potato Choc Sponge and Custard	Roast Turkey and Stuffing Cauliflower/Broccoli Mashed Potatoes/Pasta/Gravy Krispie Square and Custard	Chicken Curry and Rice Butchers Burger Peas/Carrots/ Mashed Pots and Gravy Jelly and Fruit
Friday	Home-made Vegetable/Chicken Soup Selection of Bread HotDog/Tuna Roll Salad Ice-Cream and Chocolate Sauce	Chicken Nuggets Oven Baked Tuna Wrap Salad/Pasta Chips and Mashed Pots Frozen Mousse and Fruit	NOVEMBER MADNESS Cocktail Sausages Mini Pizza/Chips Pasta/Mixed Salad Ice-Cream and Chocolate Sauce	Home-Made Veg or Chicken Soup Steak Burger and Bap Mixed Salad Cheese/Onions Chocolate Cookie Milk Shake	Hot Dog/Tuna Roll Salad/Chips/Pasta Mashed Pots Gravy Ice-Cream /Wafer/Fruit

Milk & Water available daily

Fruit and Yoghurt & Bread available daily

Menu subject to deliveries