

# Weekly Note – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020

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Date	Event	Year Group	Time (if relevant)
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM FROM TODAY-GREY SHIRT FOR BOYS/WHITE SHIRT FOR GIRLS WITH TIE.</b>		
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Woodwind Music Tuition (some tuition fees still outstanding)</b>	<b>Bring instruments please</b>	
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Spanish Lessons Junior Harp Lessons</b>	<b>Yr 4-7 £2 to cover the month of November please Harpers 2-2.30pm</b>	
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> November			
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>PE DAY: Simple plain outfits!!! Deadline for 'Two Minute Tale'(see notes) Strings Music Tuition (tuition fees now due) Senior Harp Lessons</b>	<b>ALL CHILDREN Bring instruments please 2-2.30pm</b>	

## Pupil Arrangements WB Monday 9<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

Year1: Monday-Thursday 9am-2pm (collected at infant gate) Friday 9am-1:45pm

Year2: Monday-Thursday 9am-2pm (collected at infant gate) Friday 9am-1:45pm

Year 3: Monday-Wednesday 9am-2:45pm Thursday 9am-2pm & Friday 9am-1:45pm (Collected at main gate)

Year 4: Monday-Thursday 9am – 2:45pm (Collected at main gate) Friday 9am-1:45pm

Year 5: Monday-Thursday 8:45am – 3pm (Collected at main gate) Friday 8:45am-2pm

Year 6: Monday-Thursday 8:45am – 3pm (Collected at main gate) Friday 8:45am-2pm

Year 7: Monday-Thursday 8:45am – 3pm (Collected at main gate) Friday 8:45am-2pm

Please email Rachel at [rhamilton130@c2kni.net](mailto:rhamilton130@c2kni.net) or call the school on 0287034437

## Split the Pot

Next draw takes place, Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November, envelopes will go home on Monday. If you're not in you can't win! Half to the winner, half to school funds for vital school resources which will aid YOUR child's learning!!

## P.T.A.

It was very disappointing that our Hallowe'en Disco had to be cancelled. This makes every fund-raising event so important to allow us to raise the money needed for extra resources for our children. On Friday, your child will receive a full pack of smarties, with their name on the tube's side. We would ask that the children keep the tube safe and add any spare 20p over the coming weeks, taking them back to school for **FRIDAY 27<sup>th</sup> November**. Those children who return their tubes will be entered into a draw for some spot prizes. We would ask that everyone makes an effort to fill part of their tube.



### St. John's SVP

In these current circumstances due to COVID-19, St. John's SVP can be contacted on our confidential helpline number: 07752017340. If you or someone you know in our area is struggling, please contact us. All our help is given on a strictly confidential basis.

SeeSaw- Will now become the main source of communication between school and our parents. Please ensure you have downloaded both the family and class apps to keep up to date. This is crucial as we head into a very uncertain period of time. If any parents are struggling with these apps, please let me know.



## After Schools Club

2pm-5pm daily

Please book and pre-pay for this service on a weekly basis. Paying in arrears is not an option.

£2 per hour in a clearly labelled envelope

We can all be delayed for one reason or another. If you are going to be late please ring the school so arrangements can be made. Thank you.

## VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION

Many thanks to those of you who paid their voluntary contribution to school last year. These are indeed challenging financial times for all schools and the contribution you make means we can buy additional resources for our children to use. Please send your contribution in a marked envelope with your child next week.

We ask for a donation of £5.00 per pupil.

Thank you!

## FLU VACCINATIONS Date to be confirmed

You should have received a consent form for the administration of the Flu Vaccination and it is great to see so many have been returned. The Chief Medical Officer has asked all schools to encourage all pupils and adults in school to get the flu vaccination this year. The vaccination will not give immunity from Coronavirus but will help to protect vulnerable members of our community.

If your child misses the vaccination or is unwell on the day, you as parent/legal guardian, will be sent a letter from the Community Nurse explaining that you should now contact your GP.

## READING BOOKS IN SCHOOL

Please ensure ALL reading books are returned to school promptly, especially those books which were given to the children during the extended Hallowe'en break. This is vitally important so teachers have full sets of reading books to hand each week.

If you have any private reading books which your child is finished with, please send in to school as we are always looking to add to our library. Many thanks!

## BBC Two-Minute Tale



This competition is open to any child in Northern Ireland who is aged between 5 and 16 years old. Parents must complete this form and submit their child's story before 8pm on Friday 13th November 2020.

The theme is **A Christmas to Remember**, but this must not be the title of your story. Please ensure you create your own titles for your Two Minute Tales.

Follow this link: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/5ITDWfmhGQR9TIf93LkgMzv/send-in-your-two-minute-tale>

## Spanish Lessons Y4 – Y7

Our Spanish lessons with Christina on Wednesdays are up and running. It was lovely to hear the children's voices calling out in Spanish throughout the 4 classrooms. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child/ren to gain confidence in a new language. 50p a lesson is a snip! It is really important that every child in Yr4-7 pays for this experience. It would be a real shame if we could no longer continue with this due to lack of funds.



**November's £2 NOW DUE please.**

## EMOTIONAL HEALTH & WELL BEING

On our website we have made available for parents and carers a range of resources to promote the emotional health and well-being of all children. The resources come from a range of agencies and are a fantastic tool to engage with your children at home. We are aware that any potential for moving into a period of restrictions may be challenging for parents and some pupils. Have a look at these resources for ideas on how to keep positive and motivated. The resources are available under the Parents(resources) Section of our website.



## Healthy Eating & Nut-free zone

Please help us to promote our healthy eating school and nut-free zone.  
Any items containing nuts will be sent home unopened.

## Breakfast Club

8-8.50am is available from Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September  
£1.05 in a labelled envelope to be paid to Ray daily  
No booking required

Have a lovely weekend and as always thanks for  
your continued support towards our school.

