



# School News

November 2016



## After School Activities All starting week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> Nov

### Monday

Multi Skills for 6 weeks

2:10 – 3:10 P1+2

3:10 – 4:10 P3+4 (1<sup>st</sup> 3 weeks)  
P5-7 (next 3 weeks)

Craft for 6 weeks

3:10 – 4:10 P5-7 (1<sup>st</sup> 3 weeks)  
P3+4 (next 3 weeks)



### Tuesday

Drama for 4 weeks

2:10 – 3:10 P1-3

**(P3 = during school)**

3:10 – 4:10 P4-7

### Wednesday

iPad / fun literacy with Miss Black  
P3-4 3:10 – 4:10

Coding (temporarily with Ms Bolton until Bytes  
tutor starts)

P5-7 3:10 – 4:10

### Thursday

Judo

2:10 – 3:10 P2/3

3:10 – 4:10 P5-7



## A few dates for your diary!

**3<sup>rd</sup> Nov** – Flu Vaccine Day

**10<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Craft Fair **2:10pm finish for all**

**24<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Parental Transition Programme

**4<sup>th</sup> Dec** – Ballyclog Carol Service 7pm

**5<sup>th</sup> Dec** – P5-7 trip to Planetarium

**16<sup>th</sup> Dec** – Last swim session for P4-7

**21<sup>st</sup> Dec** – Christmas Carol Service

**22<sup>nd</sup> Dec** – 11am finish

**5<sup>th</sup> Jan** – School reopens for term 2

## Parent Interviews

P2-7 interviews are taking place 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> Nov.

Appointments have been attached to school news.

## Miss Finn

We are fortunate to be able to offer Miss Finn a few extra hours with P3+P4. She will now take them Monday – Wednesday, each day until lunch.

## Parental Transition Programme

We are exceptionally lucky to have been selected for the BEE project (Building Employment through Education). Part of what they offer is a transition programme to help parents / families who have children moving on to secondary school in the near future.

This programme is open to P6 & P7 parents, and will last only for 1hr. It covers many important aspects to help with the transition and we are encouraging all families to attend if possible.

We need a minimum of 10 families to attend for the course to go ahead, which is a very high percentage out of P6/7! ☺

Children's attendance is optional, but they will receive their own programme in school.

Please do make every effort to come along – return slip to school by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Nov.

## Water

P5-7 pupils are encouraged to bring a clear bottle filled with water as drinking of the water improves concentration. We still have bottles available to buy @ £2.50 each.

## Healthy Eating

Please encourage your child(ren) to eat healthily at break-times. This will be beneficial to your child(ren) in the long run.

## Web-Site ☺

Please keep browsing our web-site. It is continually being added to and updated, so please check the site often for new pictures and info. A copy of all school-news & menus are also available should you misplace your copy!

[www.stewartstownps.org](http://www.stewartstownps.org)

## Tissues

It's that time of year again! To help minimise the spread of germs we would like each pupil to bring in a box of tissues. The tissues then will be readily available in class.



### School Fund

Please continue to make the voluntary weekly contribution of £1/family. If every family was to make this weekly contribution, we would raise over £700 by the end of the school year.

### DISCO!

The Hallowe'en disco raised £94. It was spooktacular! Thank you to everyone who helped make it a huge success.

### Craft Fair

Our 5<sup>th</sup> annual craft fair will take place in school on 10<sup>th</sup> Nov, 6-9pm. It has been a huge success the past 4 years and we are hopeful this year will be also. We have a wide range of crafters travelling from all over Northern Ireland. Please help support our event by coming along with your friends and family.

### Cash for Clobber

Our school is doing great with the recycling of old clothes. Please keep donating recyclables into purple bin. You can't miss it!



### Poppy Appeal

Poppies are on sale in school this week and next. On sale are traditional paper poppies for a minimum donation of 20p. Other items include wrist bands, keyrings and bracelets which are £1 each.

### Concussion

Please take time to read 'Recognise and Remove' advice leaflet which provides useful guidance for both young people and adults on how to recognise the signs of concussion and what action to take.

### Cross Country Celebrations!

5 boys represented our school in the Mid Ulster Cross Country Trials at MUSA and came back with the prizes!

Preston Taggart, Brodie Taggart, Jamie Shepherd, Zach Shepherd & Matthew Armstrong competed against local schools in the race, and finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall.

Jamie finished a very impressive 2<sup>nd</sup> place individually, securing himself a place in the finals. He left the Shannaghmore residential a day early to attend the finals where he finished 6<sup>th</sup> overall.

Well done to all the boys representing our school – you did us proud!

### Shopping Online

Easyfundraising is an app which allows our school to benefit from any online shopping you may do. It is safe and secure to use and is totally private so we do not see what you've bought or where you have bought from. It is merely a route to go through when shopping online.

Download the app, or open the easy fundraising browser. Set up and sign in to your account, search for your shopping site and begin shopping. The % given by the retailer may take 14-90 days to show on your account. Every little helps! Happy shopping!

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### Award Winners for October

**Principal Awards:** Jamie Shepherd, Calum Hutton

**Merit Certificates:** Rebekah Walker, Ruby Reynolds

**Girl of the week:** Eva Curry, Rachael Curry

**Boy of the week:** Thomas Stewart, Brodie Taggart

