

Welcome to our first News sheet of 2023/24. We will send out a paper copy this half-term but thereafter the Newsheet will be placed on the website at www.bushprimaryschool.co.uk



Mrs McAlister continues phased retirement and will be in the office on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, and Mrs McKenzie continues the role of Co-Principal on Mondays and Fridays. Mrs Girvan will be teaching P7 on those days.

If you need to contact either Principal the email addresses are: pmcalister824@c2kni.net or bmckenzie712@c2kni.net (there are no spaces in either email)

REMINDER

Home Time

P1 finish @ 1.30pm
and P2 @ 1.35pm.

P3 finish @ 2.40pm
on Monday, Tuesday
and Wednesday and 1.40pm on Thursday and Friday.



Next Holiday

School will be closed

Monday 30th October - Friday 3rd November.
School reopens Monday 6th November.

REMINDER The school doors open at 8.30am. **Early Morning Supervision** is available in the school hall from 8.15am each morning costing 50p, please book and pay via school money.

Teachers/assistants supervise in the classroom from 8.30am—8.45am, with school starting at 8.45am. Please try to ensure your children are in on time each day.

Only those attending early cover should enter or be dropped off before 8.30am.

Uniform Please ensure that all items of your child's clothing and possessions are clearly labelled as soon as possible.

After School Care continues to be available Monday - Friday from 1.30pm - 2.40pm for P1 and P2 children and Thursday and Friday for P3 children. The cost is £3.00 per day, which includes a snack.

Please pay and book via school money.

Absences

All absences should be notified to school via the 'jot form' on the school app. Please note that the absence of any child due to a holiday must be recorded on our system as unauthorised. Please try to ensure holidays do not coincide with term time.

Coats

All children must bring a coat with them every day. We try to have outdoor time daily.

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Make sure you have downloaded the school app. This links to our website and is where you can find the absence form and how most notifications will be sent out to parents.

Swimming

Swimming lessons for P5 start on Wednesday 13th September - Wednesday 29th November & P6 on Friday 8th September - Friday 1st December.

Next term P7 and P4 will be starting swimming in January.

It is important that children come prepared for each lesson as swimming is part of the PE curriculum.





Online payment system - We continue to use the online payment system. School meals, £2.60 per day, P1-P7 early am 50p per day and after school care P1-P3 £3.00 per afternoon.

If you cannot use the online payment system please contact school as soon as possible to get this set up.

THINK Have you changed your address or mobile number? Have you let us know? Up to date mobile numbers are essential for our text messaging service.



Communication Most communication will be by text message or the school web-site and school app. Parents must ensure they can access these means of communication.

Contact details for staff Phone the school office, 02887725102 and leave a message or email info@bush.dungannon.ni.sch.uk and your email will be forward on to the appropriate staff member.

Healthy Break

Healthy Break All children are encouraged to eat a 'healthier option' snack at break time, Monday to Thursday ie fruit, yoghurt (low sugar), cheese, sandwiches, crackers etc. Friday is treat day and the children may bring crisps etc.

Asthma If you did not receive a school Asthma Card and your child has asthma and uses an inhaler please contact the school office ASAP and we will send a record card out for completion.

Also, if your child has been assigned an Epi-pen can you please make sure these are in date, in a clearly labelled box and given to the class teacher.

Parent/Teacher consultations for all classes Nursery - P7 will be held week beginning 23rd October. You will be able to book a consultation time on the school website soon. We will let you know when this becomes live. This will be a face to face consultation - you may request a telephone consultation if this is more convenient.

Each consultation lasts 10 minutes. For this week home times are as follows.
Afterschool club will not be available.

P1 1.30pm (Normal)

P2 1.35pm (Normal)

All other children P3-P7 1.45pm each day.

The school bus will run at it's normal time 2.45pm. Children who normally go home on the school bus can remain in school until 2.45pm. They will be supervised by classroom assistants.



Parent-Teacher Interviews

Flyers From time to time we are asked to pass on flyers to you. We are not endorsing these services/ events - merely passing on information.



**Forms to be
returned to
School.**

**Online Safety Workshop
for Parents**

**Tuesday 19th September
@ 7.00pm**

**Duration: 1.5 hours
at Bush Primary School**

Topics will include social media, gaming, inappropriate content,
online stranger danger & cyber-bullying.
Practical tips and resources will be provided during the session.

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Online Safety workshop for parents on Tuesday 19th September at 7pm at Bush Primary School please complete and return the slip below by Monday 18th September.

☐ YES

☐ NO

Signed _____ (parent)

_____ (date)

(child's name & class)

Walking home from school

If your child is going to be walking home without a parent/guardian it is important that you complete and return the slip below giving written permission for them to do so.

(Child's name & class) has permission to walk home during the 2023/24 school year.

Signed _____ (parent)

_____ (date)