

Bush Primary School & Nursery Unit
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14th October 2020,

Dear Parent,

The Stormont Executive has announced that schools are to close for an extra week at Halloween as a 'circuit breaker,' to reduce the transmission of COVID 19.

Therefore, school will close at the normal times this Friday, 16th October, reopening Monday 2nd November.

"Education settings will be closed to all pupils during these two weeks including for vulnerable children and children of key workers.

As this is an extension of the half-term break it is not intended to be used for remote learning.

During the week beginning 19th October direct payments will be made to pupils in receipt of Free School Meals." Department of Education 14.10.20

If at any time during the closure your child becomes symptomatic with Coronavirus or tests positive, please email me on pmcalister824@c2kni.net as this may still have relevance to school attendance.

Parent Teacher Interviews planned next week for P1 and P7 will be rescheduled in November.

Please continue to do whatever possible to limit the spread of the virus to enable our children to attend school and to protect the health and well-being of all in our community. Thank you also to the staff for the huge part they have played in these difficult times.

Mrs Cruise will now be finishing in the Nursery this Friday, a week earlier than planned. Mrs Cruise has done an amazing job during Mrs Ferguson's maternity leave and I extend my sincere thanks to her.

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We will welcome Mrs Ferguson back on Monday 2nd November.

Every indication today has been that we will reopen on Monday 2nd November. However, as a **precautionary** measure **should** this not be the case, teachers will send home some resources with your child this Friday which will make the commencement of Home Learning more straightforward should this be necessary in November. **DO NOT** do this work with your child unless you are asked to. As a safety measure, these resources should be kept in a safe place and unopened. Each teacher will make arrangements with you for their return. They are only being provided should there be an extended period of closure.

The P7 AQE group will be provided with some practice papers which should be completed during the break.

Yours sincerely,

Pauline McAlister