



HALF TERM



Please note school will be closed on: **Monday 25th October—Friday 29th October** inclusive for the Half Term break

SPECIAL DATES IN OCTOBER

October - Walk to School Month
October 5-11 Dyslexia Awareness Week
October 10 Mental Health Day
October 22 Non Uniform Day/
 Halloween Disco
October 25-29 (inclusive) Half Term

WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH



October is International Walk to School Month. Each year, primary school pupils from across the UK join forces with children in more than 40 countries worldwide to celebrate the benefits of walking to school. So please encourage walking to school, and help your children adopt a healthier life-style.



HARVEST



We will, as a school, be celebrating Harvest, in our own special way. We will be sharing it with parents and friends the week before half term.

We will have a food bank collection on **Monday 18th October**. Children can bring a non-perishable food bank donation and pop it in a food bin at the entrance doors. If there are any of our own families who would like to avail of a food parcel please email jfunston506@c2kni.net



PATHS QUOTE OF THE MONTH

This month our PATHS theme is creativity.

"CREATIVE people are CURIOUS, flexible, PERSISTENT, and independent with a TREMENDOUS SPIRIT of adventure & a love of play."
HENRI MATISSE

October 2021

PTFA NEWS



There will be a PTFA Meeting on **Tuesday 12th October at 8.00pm**. We would like to encourage as many people to come along.

The PTFA -

- ♦ is fun, from planning events to manning stalls.
- ♦ helps you connect with other parents and school staff.
- ♦ builds a sense of community
- ♦ supports our pupils' school experience.
- ♦ raises money for school funds and charities.



OUR PTFA needs YOU!



- Meet other families
- Contribute to school life
- Support your child's learning journey

"Not just for Mums – males are very useful too"

"Totally flexible" "Feel better connected to school"

OMAGH COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Halloween Party



OCTOBER HALF TERM FUN

On **Friday 22nd October** the PTFA are organising a Half Term Party. The children may come in their own clothes or fancy dress. There will be a disco for each bubble during the school day, autumn activities and a sweetie treat bag!!!

Cost £2.00 - Non Uniform/Disco

CLOTHING BANK

If you are tidying out the wardrobes now that the weather has got a little chillier, remember to recycle clothes, bed linen, shoes, or bags in our school clothing recycling bank at the back gate. Your contribution supports the work of our PTFA and goes towards their fundraising efforts.



PARENT INTERVIEWS

PARENT - TEACHER
MEETING

Teaching staff will be contacting parents after half term to offer either telephone or face-to-face parent teacher interviews.

Interviews will take place the week beginning 8th November. Class teachers will email parents with more details nearer the time.

CONTACT DETAILS

If your telephone number or contact details e.g. address, child medical information or who to contact if your child is ill has changed can you please ensure you update the school office by telephone or email 02882242642 or alogan321@c2kni.net / kcarke603@c2kni.net



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



We have a number of after-school activities in place for Term 1: Little Artists, Jumping Clay, Multi Skills, Football and Highland Dancing. We are encouraged to see how much the children are enjoying them.

MUSIC TUITION AND AFTER SCHOOL PAYMENTS

Music Tuition Fees and After Schools bills have been emailed to parents. Payment can be made via cash or card in school or over the telephone. Payments should be made as soon as possible please.

FLU VACCINATIONS



The flu vaccination will be administered by the School Nursing Team on 30th November.

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Please be mindful of leaving the parking bays at the front and back of the school free for bus pick ups and drop offs. Thank you.

HEALTHY BREAKS AND LUNCHES

Children should have healthy breaks and packed lunches in school with them such as sandwiches, fruit, yoghurt or vegetable sticks. Chocolate or crisps are prohibited and please remember to check the sugar content, as many cereal bars etc contain very high levels of sugar.

PLEASE REMEMBER NO NUTS

PLEASE



**NO PEANUTS
OR
NUT PRODUCTS**

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

The School Photographer will be in school on **Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th October**. Please ensure children are in their full school uniform.



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NURSERY NEWS

We are delighted to have our Mini Movers Programme, with Aubrey Kerrigan, up and running now that all our Nursery boys and girls are settled into their new routines. Mini Movers encourages body awareness and co-ordination, aids language and develops listening skills.

We are also holding the first of our Getting Ready to Learn workshops this month. The Big Bedtime Read will take place in small groups in line with COVID 19 guidance on 20th November. Mrs Daley will be in touch with parents re the time of their sessions.



Pre-School **NURSERY**

Big Bedtime Read

Wednesday 20th October

4pm 5pm 6pm

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR PREFERRED SESSION

Pull on your PJ's **Supper provided**

Grab your favourite teddy

Snuggle up with us to read together

Supporting parents to read regularly and establish good bedtime routines

OMAGH CREDIT UNION

FERMANAGH AND OMAGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

A big thank you to Fermanagh and Omagh District Council and Omagh Credit Union for their support

To help the local community Omagh Credit Union presented £500 to all their local primary schools. It was a lovely surprise and will be used to buy KS2 resources. As a school we would like to thank the Credit Union for their generous donation. Also to FODC who have funded a school Good Relations Project, a Recovery Project, a Multi Cultural Project and a Local History Project. We really do appreciate the support we receive from our local community.

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LITTLE ACORNS

Our Little Acorns pre-school activity programme is underway. We have had six very successful Be Fit for Fun classes. The programme will run throughout Term1 - if anyone is interested in joining for the next block of classes contact bpollack293@c2kni.net

Baby Sensory is also taking place next Monday. Look out for the upcoming Baby Sensory Christmas Special. It is always very popular.

Also the ever popular Rhyme Time is back again for our Halloween Pumpkin Party.

Baby Sensory Taster

Join Sharon for a 'Baby Sensory Taster'

Monday 11th October **£9**

10am

Booking Essential
Tel: 07749311323 / Facebook Messenger
Baby Sensory Mid-Ulster & West Tyrone

Multi-Award Winning Baby Development Class for babies from birth to 18 months

Enjoy first-hand the incredible variety of sounds, smells, sights, textures, music, dance and singing specifically designed to aid your child's development!

Bookings must be made through Sharon or at www.babysensory.com

Rhyme Time Pumpkin Party

Thursday 21st October

2.30pm

Spooktacular rhymes, songs and stories for babies and toddlers

Fancy Dress Welcome

Booking Essential
Email: bpollack293@c2kni.net
Include the names of children and adults attending

A tailored programme for children aged 18 months to 4 years

Fit For Fun

with Aubrey Kerrigan

£10 for 4 weeks

4 week programme commencing...

TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

10.15am - 11.15am

Continues...

Every Tuesday in October

Adult participation required

- Opportunity to socialise
- Encourages body awareness and co-ordination
- Encourages turn-taking, sharing and co-operation
- Develops listening skills
- Aids language

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Email: bpollack293@c2kni.net
Please include your child's name, age and a contact telephone number

SCHOOL WEBSITE

To keep up-to-date with everything that is going on in school and in your child's class be sure to check into our school website and follow our PTFA Facebook page. We endeavour to keep it as current as possible.

www.omaghcounty.org



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SPORTS FOR CHAMPIONS

INSPIRING
CHILDREN OF
TODAY TO
BECOME THE
CHAMPIONS
OF TOMORROW

Sports For Champions UK is on a mission to **EDUCATE -ENABLE- EMPOWER** our youth. Team SFC currently has around 50 active partnerships, with the majority

comprising world-class athletic talents who inspire children as champions of tomorrow in their performance as pro, para, and Olympic athletes.

The team engages with schools to inspire healthier active lifestyles with a focus on health and wellness through nutrition, in addition to workshops on resilience, and self-esteem.



On 4th November Ayaz Bhuta will be joining us in school. Ayaz is part of the Team GB Paralympic Rugby Team who won a Gold medal from the 2021

Paralympic Games in Tokyo.

Ayaz was born with a rare genetic disorder that affects the growth of the bones in his arms and his legs.

Ayaz works with Sports for Champions inspiring young people to achieve their dreams and change perception towards disability.

During his visit he will host an assembly, put the boys and girls through an exercise workshop and be available for a question and answer session.

This will also be used as a school fund raising event. Sponsorship forms have been sent home on Monday 4th October and should be returned before **Friday 22nd October**.



October 2020

DON'T FORGET

WHEN DO
THE CLOCKS
GO BACK?



Sunday 31st October 2021



Fireworks Safety

Keep your little ones safe this Bonfire Night
and show them and discuss this poster.

- Do not open the box of fireworks or fiddle with them in any way
- Only let grown ups light fireworks
- Stand well back and do not go near fireworks
- Wear gloves with sparklers
- Keep sparklers at arms length away and keep them away from any dangling materials, for example a scarf
- If you do not like the fireworks stay indoors and watch from a window
- Keep pets indoors
- Keep warm by wearing a coat, hat, scarf and gloves

