

# NEWSLETTER 5—29/09/2019

## Ballyhenry Primary School



### Services

#### **Breakfast Club**

8:00 to 8:45 a.m. Cost: £1.50

Must be booked in advance on-line via the app by 8:00 a.m. daily.

#### **B'Happy**

2:00 to 6:00 p.m. Cost: £2.50/hour

Must be booked in advance on-line via the app by 9:15 a.m. daily. Unfortunately we cannot accept telephone bookings or late bookings.

If your child is staying until 6:00 p.m. please send them an evening snack

#### **Special B'Happy after Teacher-Led Clubs**

Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays 3:40 to 4:00 p.m. £1

(The app will soon be able to accept this payment.)

## Dates for your Diary

Week At a Glance				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Ballyhenry Tots 9:00 to 10:30 £1.50	Football P1 to P3 2:00 to 3:00 P4 to P7 3:00 to 4:00	Swimming P5 & P6	School Sensation P2 to P7 2:00 to 3:00	Ballyhenry Tots 9:00 to 10:30 £1.50
Families Conner P1 & P2 Carers Coffee and Information 1:15 to 2:00	Teacher-Led P4 to P7 Dance 3:00 to 3:40	Teacher-Led P4 to P7 Construction 3:00 to 3:40	Parents/Carers to meet in the hall at 2:00 School ends for all P2 to P7 pupils at 3:00	House Activities P4 to P7 1:00 to 2:00
AQE Revision P7 3:00 to 3:40	Teacher-Led P4 to P7 Board Games 3:00 to 3:40	Teacher-Led P4 to P7 Tag Rugby 3:00 to 3:40		Junglenastics 2:00 to 2:40
Good News P4 to P7 3:00 to 3:40				
Judo P1 to P3 2:00 to 3:00 P4 to P7 3:00 to 4:00				

P1 pupils now remain in school until 2:00 p.m. daily.

## Full School Days

From Monday 30th September Primary 1 children will remain in school until 2:00 p.m. We are all looking forward to it!

## Teacher-Led Clubs

We will be running teacher-led clubs (P4 to P7) from the week beginning 30th September for a 6 week block. Remember to book these via the app before Monday morning.



## Families Connect

We are excited to be able to run the Families Connect programme in school for our P1 and P2 parents. This programme will be coordinated by Miss Collins and Mrs Ruddock and aims to support parents and carers to enhance their child's learning at home and in school.



There will be a coffee and information session on

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019

1:15 to 2:00 p.m.

P1 Classroom

Please come along to hear more about this exciting programme!

## National Poetry Day—Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

We will be celebrating National Poetry Day in school. Pupils will have the opportunity to read, recite and write poems in class and during assembly. This year's theme is "Truth".

## School Sensation (P2 to P7)- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Remember to mark our School Sensation Day on your calendar. This is your chance to visit the school and see your child in class. See you in the hall at 2:00 p.m.

School will finish at 3:00 p.m. for all P2 to P7 children. B 'happy Club will run as normal.

A little note about P1 Pupils. School Sensation takes place on the Thursday of their first week of full days. We think it would be a little too much for them to participate. Parents are welcome to come to the parent talk and then tour the school. B'Happy will be available to P1 Pupils between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. if required.



## #HelloYellow on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October



As you are aware we are focusing of mental health and wellbeing of pupils this year. We are planning to participate #HelloYellow fundraiser. On Thursday we are encouraging everyone to wear yellow and Say #HelloYellow to support children and young people's mental health on World Mental Health Day. Suggested donation £1.

## Free School Meals



Please remember you need to reapply for Free School Meals every year. If you think you are entitled and would like an application form, please speak with Mrs. Reid in the Office who will be happy to help. You can also download an application form from the Website.

You can also get more information from the Education Authority Website by clicking on this link.

[www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals-school-uniform-allowance](http://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals-school-uniform-allowance)

Extra funding in our school is based on our percentage of Free School Meals so please apply even if your child does not want dinners! You will benefit from Uniform Grants. If your child has a statement for Special Educational Needs they may also be entitled to Free School Meals. We can't get this extra funding without you! We need another 18 people to apply in order to meet the funding target!

## Dates for your Diary

Remember that our school website has a calendar app that can be downloaded to your mobile device so that you receive reminders of upcoming events. Please note the following:

- Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September—P1s stay in school until 2:00 from this date.
- Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September—P1 and P2 parents may attend the Families Connect coffee and information session (1:15 p.m.)
- Thursday 3rd October--School Sensation. Find out more about school and how you can help your child. (2:00 p.m.). P2 to P7 pupils remain in school until 3:00 p.m.
- Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October—Wear Yellow for “Young Minds” (Suggested donation £1)
- Friday 18th October—Harvest Assembly. Join us for our Harvest Assembly and Coffee Morning.
- Friday 18th October—Parent Book Look. See the hard work your child has completed. Return books on Monday.
- Tuesday 22nd October to Thursday 24th October—Parent-Teacher Interviews. School closes at 12:30 p.m. but Special B’Happy Hours will still operate.
- Friday 25th October—Pumpkin Party. School ends at 12:30 p.m.
- Monday 4th November—Back to school

## Communication and Payment App



Most people are now using our Communication and Payment app. Thank you! The app is now our main method of communication. All newsletters, dinner menus, text messages and payments are done via the app. You can also send in absences notes and request information via the communication form.

It is essential for all families to have access to the app. The app is free! This is easily done from the iTunes store or Google Play by downloading the app (search for Ballyhenry Primary School). Please invite other family members/child-minders to download it too. It is an easy way to stay in touch.

## Stars of the Week

Each Thursday in Assembly children are recognized for their contributions to school life.

This week awards were given for achievements in Behaviour. We congratulate.....

Year 1	Brandon for always being well behaved and kind to others.
Year 2	Alina for awesome behaviour and lovely manners.
Year 3	Amelia for excellent behaviour at all times.
Year 4C	Tommy for always being well behaved.
Year 4F	Charlie for being incredibly well mannered
Year 5	Robyn for good behaviour at the swimming pool.
Year 6	Mia for very good manners.
Year 7	Being polite and working quietly
Corridor Teddy	P1
Corridor Cup	P5



## Contact School

We are here to help! Here are some of the ways you can get in touch

Website: [www.myballyhenryps.net](http://www.myballyhenryps.net)

Facebook: **Ballyhenry Primary School—Official** (closed group)

Email: [lknocker496@c2kni.net](mailto:lknocker496@c2kni.net)

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