



Roan St Patrick's Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Term 2

I would like to welcome everyone back for another busy term ahead with lots going on in our school. Please read the information below carefully. The school website calendar will be updated over the next week with updated PE/coaching days.

School Gateway App

Please ensure to download the School Gateway app to your smart device as soon as possible (more details on school website). The email address used to sign-up must match the address on our records. If you are having any issues with setting up the app, please contact Mrs Vincent in the school office.

All payments (apart from Breakfast Club) will now be made through the app (French / dinners / EA music – violins / swimming / trips etc).

When paying for school dinners, it is essential that you select the days your child will be having dinners via the app before making your payment otherwise we will not know this information for ordering the meals in daily.

Primary 5 Swimming

The Primary 5 class will begin their swimming lessons this Monday 8th January in Dungannon (5 sessions in total - 8th Jan / 15th Jan / 22nd Jan / 29th Jan / 5th Feb). Children will need full swimming gear, goggles and a towel. They will need a snack as normal and will return to school in time for dinner. The total cost will be £20.00 per child (this can be paid online using the School Gateway app where consent can also be given).

French / Music / Irish

Primary 1, 5 & 6 children will receive French Tuition this half term at a cost of £6 per child for the half-term. Primary 4-7 children will receive music tuition at a cost of £5 for the term. All payments can be made via the School Gateway app.

Walkers to and from school

Please go over basic road safety with your children on a regular basis, especially for those who walk to and from school (this will be reinforced regularly in school). School staff do not have authorisation to stop traffic or be on the road to cross children in the morning or afternoons, so it is important that all children are well aware of how to cross the road safely.

School Car Park

It is imperative that all users of the school car park show due care and attention when coming to and from the school. Cars must follow the one-way system and drivers must park in the spaces on the periphery of the car park – connected to the footpath – and ask their children to remain on the footpath as they make their way to the school entrance.

Please be aware of the road closure over the next 3 weeks which will impact collection times only.

School Starting Times

The school gates will close at 9.05am sharp every morning. It is imperative that all children are in school on time so that they do not miss important settling-in activities and reading. If your child is not attending Breakfast Club, they should not be on site before 8.45am (children attending Breakfast Club must be there by 8.30am if they wish to avail of breakfast).

We would ask all parents to encourage their children to walk into school independently from the car park if not already doing so. This will be good for their confidence and independence and school staff will greet them at the top of the car park path as normal.

Healthy Kidz Club

The next Healthy Kidz Club block begins next week (see school website for more details). If a session is sold-out online, please contact Healthy Kidz directly who will open extra spaces for your child/children.

Cross Country

There will be a cross country trial run for all P6&7 children on Monday afternoon in preparation for next Friday's Athletics NI round 2 race (children will need old footwear or boots and gear for cold/mucky conditions).

New Primary 1 Application Process

The online process to apply for Primary 1 places in September 2024 will begin on Tuesday 9th January and will close on Friday 26th January. I am available to provide guidance to parents at any time on request. Parents of prospective new families may wish to arrange a short tour of the school by contacting me at the school via email or phone if they have not already done so (smone720@c2kni.net – 02837548355).

Yours sincerely,

S Mone

Principal

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