



IMPORTANT DATES

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If you are currently in receipt of Free School Meals or uniform allowance or think you may be eligible for this next school year, please apply online ASAP.

Everyone must re-apply annually.

<https://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals-uniform-grants>

If you need any help with this application, please contact Jayne in the office.

Healthy Snacks

Sept £6.30 Payable on the SchoolMoney App.

Preparing for the New School Year



P1-P2 Stationary provided in school. They should bring a school bag that can hold an A4 folder.

P3-7 should come to school with a school bag which can hold an A4 folder and a pencil case with pencils, a rubber, a sharpener, colouring pencils and a 30cm ruler. You may want to buy some Pritt stick for homework activities, glue is provided in school.

Please send in a packet of tissues to keep in your child's bag for use in school.

Beginning of term - P1 children start school on **Tuesday 29 August** and should arrive between 9-9.10am for the first few days. Parents are welcome to accompany them to the classroom if they wish. Once they are settled they can come in by themselves between 8.45-9am.

P7 are also starting back to school on **Tuesday 29 August**. They will go home at 12.30 pm and should bring a healthy snack.

The whole school will commence school on **Wednesday 30 August 2023** (no kitchen service available) with the following going home arrangements: P1 12.15pm P2-4 12.25pm P5-7 12.30pm. Older pupils may go home with younger siblings.

Thurs 31 Aug will also be a half day - same arrangements for going home.

Healthy Break & School Dinners will commence on Friday 1 September and all classes will stay for dinner except P1, who will go home at 12.15pm. From Mon 18 September 2023 P1 pupils will stay until 2pm.

School will open for all pupils at 8.45am and lessons will start at 9am. We plan to have our **Early Bird Club** running from **Tuesday 29 August 8.15-8.45am £1.50 a day. Payable on the School Money App.**

Going home times from 1 September 2023 will be as follows:

P2	2pm
P3	2pm (Mon. Wed. and Fri.) 3pm (Tues. and Thurs.)
P4 - P7	3pm

UNIFORM - Children should all wear normal school uniform for the week commencing 29 August. We will start to wear PE uniform from 2 September 2023 for your child's PE days. We will confirm which days in the September newsletter.

PE Uniform - Available from Cuddy's Shop, Magherafelt. Please note that if you already have a navy pair of shorts or navy track bottoms these can be worn with the new PE t-shirt and school quarter zip. If you have any issues or concerns, please contact us. Staff will be back in school week commencing 21 August.

Uniform Items Available (all in good condition) - If you need a particular item of school uniform, please send us an email or phone the office. We have a very good range of items available and want to get these distributed to our families ASAP.

Parent Support - I want to remind you all that you can help us to raise extra money for our school by visiting this website before you shop online. All you must do is visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk and select Woods Primary School before you begin to shop. The retailer will then donate a percentage to our school. Thank you all in advance for your support.

REMINDER - No toys should be brought to school. We provide what your child needs in school and have items of play equipment available for each playtime.

A School Dinner Menu will be available week commencing 29 August 2023.

123 Club will start back on Friday 1 September 2-3pm. This club can be booked on the SchoolMoney App.

P7 Class of 2023

We want to say a fond farewell to our P7 Class of 2023. They are an amazing bunch of children, and we are very proud of each one of them. We want to wish them all every success and lots of happiness as they start their new schools in September 2023. Remember to keep in touch and we will look forward to hearing all about your future success.



We also want to thank our P7 parents who are leaving our school community.

Thank you for your support and help over the years.

Please visit our website to see the photos of the Leavers Assembly and celebration in school on Friday 23 June and the trip to The Jungle NI on Wednesday 28 June.



The principal, staff and governors want to wish all families a safe and relaxing summer break.

