

# Ampertaine Primary School Mini Newsletter



# Friday 21st February 2020

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#### PLEASE KEEP CHECKING OUR WEB SITE FOR LATEST PICTURES AND DATES OF EVENTS

#### Friends of Ampertaine (P.T.A)

Thank you to all who were able to attend our latest PTA meeting. The meeting was a great success and it was super to welcome new members to hear their ideas and thoughts. We are in the process of organising events for school and purchasing much needed equipment and new licences to continue the excellent additional provision the school currently provides.

#### After School Clubs

Will begin again from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February. We have new after school activities available and are very keen for children to take part and have a go.

# Blue Envelopes = Making life easier at home and in school

 $\cdot$  Please remember BLUE envelopes are available from the office. We expect all money to be sent in a BLUE school envelope. Pack = £2.50

#### Car Park

The playground is supervised from 8:35am each morning by two members of staff. We would ask people to please try and drop children off between 8:35am and 8:45am. The carpark does get busy after 8:45am. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

#### Breakfast Club 8am-8:35am (last admission 8:25am)

Thank you to all who help to make this service what it is. The extra opening times have really proved to be needed and are assisting in our battle against the car park and overcrowding. We would ask that any food or monetary contributions to please keep coming in to maintain our FREE service. At present all cereals are provided by the local Food bank in Magherafelt. Thank you to all who have donated and helped our Early risers.

#### C.I.A - Children Interacting at Ampertaine 2pm-5pm

Our C.I.A club is growing each week which is lovely to see. Booking forms can be obtained from the office or are downloadable from the school website.

Any children <u>not</u> collected at 2pm or 3pm will be sent to C.I.A <u>after ten minutes</u> with the parents required to pay for the full hour. We do not have the staff to continue to facilitate those who are not collected on time at 2pm and 3pm. C.I.A will therefore be used if children are not collected and will be charged accordingly.

#### Shared Education Project

Our shared education projects have been amazing and we look forward to the up coming sessions which are on our website and featured in our newsletter.

#### Valentines Disco

A massive thank you to all for the donations for our Valentine's raffle. The disco, tuck shop and raffle were a huge success. A special mention to the school council for all they help and efforts. Our Disco could not happen without the brilliant Mr Boreland. Thank you for all his time and efforts. The children had a great night. The school council has decided that all money raised from our events will be donated to Benbradagh Nursing Home.

#### School Uniform

Thank you to all parents for the amazing turn out of pupils, the children look fantastic in their uniforms. Well done to all. We would ask parents to please check any uniforms at home in case a piece of clothing from another child has accidently gone home to the wrong house. We expect all clothing to be labelled with childs name to help with identification of clothing.

If for any reason a child is not able to wear the correct uniform please send in a note or ring the office to let us know why. At times it is hard for the children to explain why they may be in different clothing.

## Royal Navy Visit

We at Ampertaine are very fortunate to be welcoming the Royal Navy to our school on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February. The visit will include STEM activities for each child in the school. The Royal Navy are in our local area and fortunately due to one of our parents, the Navy are able to include our school.

All of the lessons will be interactive and we look forward to welcoming The Royal Navy to our wee school.

### Parents Evening

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February we will be holding a parents information session regarding Mathletics, Lexia and the Transfer procedure. The first session will run from 7:00pm-7:30pm on mathletics. The second session will be split into two. 7:30pm-8pm on Lexia and how to use it best. This will be in the main hall. 7:30pm-8pm in Room 4 on the Transfer procedure and its process (Only for P6 parents). We hope you find our sessions useful and beneficial.

#### Calendar Dates

February	
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Pancake Day
	Mobile Shared Education @ Glen
	Bee Safe Trip Room 4 - Mid ulster Council Event on home safety
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Royal Navy Visit - Stem Activities
	Parents Evening. Session 1 7pm-7:30pm and Session 2 7:30pm-8pm
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Room 1 Shared Education @ Glen
	Room 4 Shared Education @ Amp
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Room 2 Shared Education @ Glen
March	
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mobile trip to the zoo
Wednesday 4th - 11 <sup>th</sup>	Book Fair begins - more info to follow closer to the time.
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day - Bed time Reading Day!!!
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Room 2 Shared Education
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	School Closed due to optional closure and public holiday
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Teacher Interviews P1-P6