

Ampertaine Primary School

Newsletter

Monday 28th June 2021

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Sun Cream, Hats, Shorts and Dresses

Great weather means it is time for pupils to wear their school shorts and summer dresses. This is highly suitable in the current climate. Parental judgment with regards to the weather on the day. Pupils should be coming to school with a Sun Hat and with Sun cream already applied. We are unable to apply Sun lotion to any of the pupils due to the current guidelines. We hope for this great spell of weather to continue with everyone able to have fun in the sun.



Eco-Schools

Early riser breakfast club

A massive thank you to those who have returned our slips and indicated if they can assist with our early morning service. As it stands we do not have enough per day to restart our breakfast club. If we could please have all slips returned as soon as possible.

We would like to inform parents of the restart to service or not before we begin our next school year. As in previous years we will also be asking for parental volunteers to assist from 8am until 8:30am. Children this year will sit in class groups rather than families.

P7 Leavers 2021

Friday was a very sad day for all at Ampertaine primary. We said our final goodbyes to our super P7 leavers. The pupils had a fantastic day filled with autograph hunting, an award ceremony, special leavers' lunch and watching three very impressive movies of their time in Ampertaine.

Mrs Phillips recorded all of the children as if we were having our normal leavers' assembly.

To finish the day perfectly the children enjoyed a horn beeping, balloon covered, message written convoy of cars. One final lap of the school one-way system with lots of noise and they were gone! Thank you to Mrs Phillips, Stephanie and Mr Stewart for all of the hard work in making all of our media files.

Thank you to Louise and her staff who made a delicious "off menu" lunch for our brilliant leavers. We will all miss them greatly and wish them well for all their future endeavours. All of the media used on the day plus footage and photos from Friday have been uploaded to the googleclassroom area for our Leavers' and parents to view and enjoy.



School Uniform

School sent out information last week regarding purchasing school uniform. Pictures and prices were included. This year on Tuesday 6th July A1 Embroidery will be holding fitting and purchasing sessions in the Linen Hall. 9am – 12 noon – P1-P3 1pm – 4pm – P4– P7 Social distancing rules apply.

Friends of Ampertaine Northern Ireland Centennial Celebration Walk

Dear all,

Our sponsored walk has so far raised £1514. We have been overwhelmed by your generosity,

and thank you to all for supporting our fundraising efforts this year. We have been restricted by how we have been able to raise additional funds for the school, but your support has been amazing! ALL the money raised will go directly into resources for the school, and our children, so many thanks again. We trust you have a fantastic summer break!





Sports Day 2021 ONLINE!

Well did you spot the next Linford Christie? Our sports day 2021 has gone online to all of our remote learning platforms. P1-P3 Seesaw and P4-P7 Google classroom.

Each class has their own media file of their races set to music. Thank you to Mr Stewart for putting together each individual year group for us. The outcome has been brilliant and we have heard how much the children have enjoyed watching them at home with family and friends.

P7 AR MILLIONAIRES

Reading a million words in one year, sounds manageable. Reading a million words in just one school year, taking online comprehensions and having a high pass on a quiz before going onto another book, this sounds less manageable.

Well Ampertaine not only have one pupil who accomplished this mammoth task, they have FIVE!.

An extra special fabulous mention to Daniel, Ellie-Mae, Adam, Sophie and Calvin. Our P7 millionaires each received a millionaire trophy for them to display at home.

According to our records we have NEVER had FIVE in one year group!

An incredible achievement on any school year but made even more so as the children managed to keep going during our remote learning months from school.



SUPER STARS all round.

Drop off/Pick up Slots and Safety

We would encourage you to please stick to your time slots. Especially those in Slot A in the morning. The traffic has built up during the week as more people attempt to come to school in Slot B and Slot C. At the present moment the same five cars are arriving beyond 9am.

To insure safety at all times we would remind parents that the front area is not supervised beyond 9am and parents running late MUST take their child to the front office supervised.

For the afternoon pick ups please remember the children will be out as soon as possible. Those who come too early may be asked to park until their child comes to the playground.

Please remember to drive with care as we are situated on a busy road with vehicles travelling in both directions and often pedestrians walking near the school as well.

End of Year Reports and Class Placements

You will all have received this years end of year reports. We hope you found the information interesting and appropriate for your child.

The Class placement is based on normal school circumstances taking into account the children's progression both within class and also the results of testing in school and through the standardised test results. The combination of all of these and the teachers' professional judgment results in class placement.

And finally...

What a school year for all. Our Ampertaine team of pupils, parents and staff has navigated this up and down year tremendously well. Our pupils have managed yet another remote learning period and our parents have managed all of the new systems in place as we moved forward together for the good of the school and the pupils.

Happier times seem to be coming and with that changes in how we slowly return our school life back to what was normality. We will be operating within class bubbles allowing us to reopen the hall and all the benefits which come from that.

We hope to reopen all of our extra school services whilst remaining vigilant to the EA and Health guidelines.

Thank you for all of your help, support, encouragement, dedication and endeavour. Over the last two disrupted years, our school family and community have continued to shine and persevere along an unknown road.

We have shown commitment and adaptability to all of the challenges we have faced as we have tried to give our pupils opportunities and experiences which make primary school life so special.

Very best wishes for a happy and healthy summer.

Keep persevering, keep safe and keep trying your best.

From all at Ampertaine

Calendar Dates

June	
Wednesday 30 th	Last day of school. Pupils are able to purchase Hotdogs @ £1.20 Pick up times: Slot A - 11:40am Slot B - 11:50am Slot C - 12 noon
July	
Tuesday 6 th	A1 Embroidery will be holding fitting and purchasing sessions in the Linen Hall. 9am – 12 noon – P1-P3 1pm – 4pm – P4– P7 Social distancing rules apply
August	
Tuesday 3 rd	P6 Top up sessions begin - see parental information for details.
Tuesday 24 th	Last P6 Top up session.
September	
Wednesday 1 st	School starts! School year 2021/22