



STRAIDHAVERN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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November 2024 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to our new half term. I hope that everyone had a wonderful break. Our pupils have excitedly shared lots of stories from their few days off and have returned refreshed and ready to learn!

We will continue to use Class Dojo to regularly update you on all that is taking place in our school, so please do continue to check the app regularly. As always, please do not hesitate to get in touch with any queries.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Meekin

PREMvember:

*We have taken the pledge to achieve
the 'TinyLearners' Award.*



Recently, our staff in school have been completing Prism training as part of our 'TinyLearners' Award, in conjunction with the TinyLife charity. The TinyLife charity introduced the 'TinyLearners' Award in Northern Ireland in 2022 with funding support from the Department of Education Northern Ireland. This training has been extremely interesting for all staff, and is available to parents who may also be interested in finding out more.

It has also raised questions for us, as a staff. We are interested to find out – was your child born at term, or are they perhaps one of the preterm babies whose educational attainment *may* be impacted by their prematurity?

Please share your insights by completing the form below:

<https://forms.gle/i3PaVHZF6rT9KRoi9>

Pumpkin Patch Success!

Thank you to everyone who supported or helped in any way with our Pumpkin Patch last month... final total raised will be confirmed soon, but you have helped raise over £500, which will be spent on further enhancing your child's educational experiences. This is incredible for such a small school! We were already delighted to have everyone together as it was, and to see such a wonderful achievement just makes us feel so thankful.

Upcoming Diary Dates:

Saturday 9th November – 10am-1pm: Wellness Workshop

Use the link here to book your space for this weekend's [winter-themed wet felting class](#) with talented Northern Ireland textile artist, Andrea Hayes. This is the next in our series of Parent Wellness Workshops (spaces are limited!).



Friday 15th November 2024: Whole School Cinema Trip

Please use the form below to indicate your consent for your child to attend this exciting whole school trip!

<https://forms.gle/Smotsmh5xc3tj1hB6>

Wednesday 20th November 2024: Wreaths and Refreshments

Would you like to join us for an evening of festive crafting? Book your space to come decorate your very own festive wreath or garland with us – refreshments provided.

<https://forms.gle/XseudPchcrFCk7jB9>

Tuesday 26th November 2024: Open Morning for Prospective Parents/Pupils!

We are always keen to welcome new learners to our Straidhavern PS family, and would be grateful if you could share the information from the image attached below with friends and family who might like to have their child join us for P1 in September 2025.

Friday 6th December 2024: Santa Mile!

This year we will be participating in the Santa Daily Mile! Pupils will be able to don their Christmas jumpers and hats as we participate in this initiative.

Tuesday 10th December 2024:

Panto visit for all pupils – details to follow.

Thursday 12th December 2024: PTA Supper with Santa

Keep your eyes peeled for the booking information which will soon be released for our Supper with Santa event.

Monday 16th December 2024: Christmas Show

We will soon be starting to prepare pupils for our Christmas show in school. This will be held late afternoon on Monday 16th December 2024. Further details to follow soon.

Friday 20th December 2024:

School finishes for all pupils at 12 noon for our Christmas break.

Wraparound Care:

We are delighted to see so many pupils and parents benefitting this year from our new, improved wraparound facilities. These facilities are not available in all schools, and we are proud to be able to offer this service to our families, as we understand the importance of trusted childcare for busy parents! Our pupils are benefitting from the varied experiences offered, and we hope that you will agree that it also offers excellent value for money.

We must respectfully remind everyone to ensure that children are collected punctually from these facilities each evening.



Straidhavern Primary School

Small School with High Expectations

Open Morning:
Tuesday 26th November
2024
9.30-10.30am



Excellent teacher pupil
ratios



Wraparound Care
from 7.45am-5pm

Inclusive environment



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