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The following are some dates and information for your diary – please consult our school website and Facebook page which has regular updates for further information or amendments.

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February 2019

Mon 4th – School closes at 1pm for parent/teacher meetings which will run from 1.30-4pm in the school hall.

Tues 5^{th} – School closes at 1pm for parent/teacher meetings which will run from 1.30-4pm and 6-7pm in the school hall.

All parents are advised to come and meet with your child's teacher and discuss their progress. All the primary teachers will be available in the school hall at the times above.

Please remember that this is a short 10-minute chat and that many other parents will be waiting. If you feel that this allocated time is not enough then please make a further appointment with the teacher at a mutually convenient time.

Please be aware that supervision of your child/children is your responsibility and children should not be present during the interview.

School will close on both days at 1.00pm promptly for all primary children.

The Nursery Unit will operate as normal on these two days.

Friday 8th – NPS Mad Maths Day! Fancy dress with a maths theme!

Small Talk NI will be in school to work with P1 and P2. Please make sure you have returned your consent form to allow your child to take part in these worthwhile and valuable sessions with regards to Speech and Language.

Tues 12th – P7 to Bee Safe in Castlewellan at 10am. Please bring a packed lunch.

Thursday 14th – Last day of term for both Nursery classes

Friday 15th – School closes at 1.00pm for the half-term break.

Friday 22nd – School Development Day – pupils need not attend.

Monday 25th – School recommences at 8.55am for the spring term.

HEALTHY EATING

NPS promotes a healthy lifestyle with our pupils, teaching the benefits of healthy eating and exercise. Please endeavour to send a healthy snack or lunch with your child each day. Each class operates a healthy snack and lunch policy. P4-7 can have a healthy snack from the school kitchen for £2.00 per week which consists of a bread based snack and fruit. This is very good value at just 40p per day!! Milk and water are always available in school.

School Car Park

The school car park is for staff and deliveries only. Please do not use it to drop off or pick up children. Please use the car park across the road and use the crossing patrol and pedestrian walkways.

Advance Notices

Monday 18th March – school is open as normal.

Wed 27th March – We say a sad goodbye to Mrs Bennett who teaches P1 on a Wednesday. She is taking up a new post in April! We are delighted to welcome back Mrs McCartan who covered for Mrs Bennett when she was on Maternity leave.

Friday 12th April - School closes at 12noon for the Easter break.

Monday 29th April – School recommences for the summer term at 8.55am.

Mon 29th April - Wed 1st May – P7 residential to Tollymore OEC.

Wed 1st May - Friday 3rd May - P6 residential to Shannagh-more OEC

Mon 6th May – School closed.

Tuesday 7th May – The primary school will close at 1.45pm to accommodate staff training. The Nursery Unit will operate as normal.

Mon 13th – Fri 24th May – revision and exam weeks! Please make every effort to have your child in school every day and on time as tests will commence promptly!

Mon 27th May – School closed.

Tues 28th – Wed 29th May – School Development Days. Pupils need not attend in Nursery and primary.

Thursday 13th June – School sports day and PTA party in the park. Time to be confirmed.

Friday 14th June – School Development Day – pupils need not attend.

Friday 21st June – P7 leavers assembly and school Prize Giving at 10am. Last day of term for P7!

Friday 28th June - School closes at 12noon for the summer break.