

# Roe Valley Integrated Primary School



## November/December 2018 Newsletter



Welcome to our November/December Newsletter, please find below some important dates and information for the month ahead.

### After School Clubs

Final sessions for current after school clubs will be on week commencing Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

### Poppy Appeal 2018

Primary 6 will be facilitating a "Pop Up Shop" selling Poppies and other British Legion merchandise for anyone wishing to purchase.

### Christmas Hamper Donations & Tickets

It is the time of year again when we appreciate Christmas donations. Please check the Parents' notice board in the foyer of the school office and if possible choose 1 or 2 items to buy from our hamper lists. All donations are greatly appreciated. Tickets will be on sale shortly. Thank you in advance.

### Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – Hedgehog for schools

Causeway Coast and Glens Heritage Trust will visit school to provide a workshop for P2, P3 & P4 on Hedgehogs and other wildlife in our local area.



### Also

Musical Pathways with Mr Brown will continue on Monday afternoons for Primary 5, Primary 6 and Primary 7.

### Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Ronan from IFA will continue to visit school on Tuesday afternoons to facilitate PE sessions for P3 and P4.

### Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Ken Reay will visit school to take all remaining photographs for our school calendar. Full school uniform is greatly appreciated.

### Also

Strings Tuition with Mr McCubbin will continue on Wednesday mornings for those children in Primary 5 to Primary 7 who take part.



### Also

Primary 5 Swimming Lessons will continue during school.

### Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November

Parent & Toddler Group will continue to take place on Thursday mornings in our school hall from 10.00am – 11.30am. Everyone welcome to come along.

### Also

Musical Pathways with Mr Brown will continue on Thursday afternoons for Primary 1, Primary 2, Primary 3 and Primary 4.



### Also

Some P6/P7 children will represent RVIPS in a football match in the Primary School Football League, this will take place in the Vale Centre, Greysteel.

### Also

Parents & Friends of RVIPS Meeting will take place in school at 6.30pm. There will be a crèche facility available for this event.

### Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2018 - Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

All donated shoe boxes will be collected on this day, please send completed Shoe Boxes into school by this date. Thank you.

### Also

Primary 5 will travel by bus to the Waterside Theatre Derry~Londonderry for Ulster Orchestra's Primary School Concert titled 'Telling Stories'.

### Also

Primary 6 will hold their Special Assembly at 2.00pm titled 'Remember'. Everyone welcome to attend.

### Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018

AQE – Paper 1

Good luck to all our P7 pupils who are sitting the AQE Transfer tests in November/December.

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Remembrance Sunday, some children will join Mrs McDonagh in placing a Poppy Wreath at the War Memorial during the service at Limavady Services Club.

### Week beginning

### Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Anti-Bullying Week – Children will participate in assemblies and activities to promote our anti-bullying school ethos.

### Also

Raffle squares will go on sale in aid of Children in Need. Main prize is a large Pudsey Bear. Squares cost 20p each or 3 for 50p.

### Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018

P6 will participate in a workshop enabling them to become cyber pals of RVIPS, this will be facilitated by The Dry Arch Centre.

### Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Mrs Crilly, Principal of Oakgrove Integrated College will visit Primary 6 and Primary 7 on this day.

### Also

Cyber Safe will visit school to carry out an internet safety workshop with P5.

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

Primary 6 will visit an exhibition called “War Torn Children” in Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre, Main Street.

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

Christmas Craft Fair 7pm - 9pm.

We will hold our annual Craft Fair in school with a special appearance from Santa Claus. There will be many wonderful craft stalls and this is a great opportunity to purchase some Christmas presents. Everyone welcome to attend. If you are available to volunteer ½ hour of your time for this event, please add your name to the list on the Parents' Notice Board at the school office. We require 24 people to support the Parents & Friends stall, refreshments and Santa's Grotto. Also if you would like to donate chocolate items (selection boxes, boxes of chocolates, Christmas novelties) or bottles for the Parents & Friends stall we would very much appreciate it. Thank you in advance.

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

This will be a non-uniform day for all the primary and post primary schools in the Limavady area. All money raised will go to Salvation Army and St Vincent de Paul branches in Limavady. We are suggesting a £1 donation per pupil.

**Also**

Mrs Radcliffe will facilitate a whole school Eco Assembly.

**Also**

Primary 6 will attend Shared Education Day 2.

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

This is Active ICT Day, all classes will take part in task and challenges around ICT today.

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2018**

Konflux Theatre will visit school to present anti-bullying workshops/plays.

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018**

Our School Choir will perform at Limavady Grammar School's Christmas Craft Fair on this evening.

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

AQE Test Paper 2.

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

Primary 7 have been invited to Limavady Grammar School to see their production “Back to the 80's” on this day.

**Also**

An Enrolment Service for First Holy Communion children will take place on this evening. Further details to follow.

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

**\*\*RVIPS OPEN EVENING\*\***

Our school Open Evening will be held at 6.30pm for prospective parents and guardians. Please spread the word about our fabulous school. Everyone is welcome! The school choir will be singing at this event and pupils will take part in evening activities. Further information to follow.

**DECEMBER**

Our fabulous school choir will sing at many events and venues over the Christmas season. Details to follow.

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2018**

AQE Test Paper 3

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018**

West Midlands Children's Theatre will visit school to present “Arabian Adventure” to all pupils.

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

The school nativity play titled “Jesus' Christmas Party” will be performed by P1, P2 & P3 in the Assembly Hall at 10am over two days.

The cost per ticket is £2.50 per adult/£1.50 per child, limited to 2 tickets **per family**. Tickets will go on sale on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018.



**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

Christmas Dinner will be served in school on this day at the usual cost of £2.60 each, unless entitled to Free School Meals.

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

Our Parent & Toddler Group will hold their Christmas Party in school on this day from 10.00am – 11.30am. All pre-school children welcome. Cost £1.50 per child/£3.00 for 2 or more children.

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

Our Annual Christmas Carol Service, hosted by P1-P7 will take place at 1.15pm on this day in St Mary's Chapel, Irish Green Street, Limavady. Everyone is welcome to attend.



**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

The Parents & Friends of RVIPS will host a “Supper with Santa”. Further details to follow.

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

All children are invited to make a donation and wear a Christmas Jumper to school on this day. All proceeds will go towards the charity ‘Save the Children’.

**Also**

The draw will take place for our wonderful Christmas food and pamper hampers and the Children's Christmas Raffle.

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018**

School will close at 12noon on this day for the Christmas break.

School meals will not be served on this day.

You will be kept fully informed of further dates for this term.

We look forward to an exciting term and appreciate your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

Julie McDonagh  
Principal

