

## **Weekly Newsletter**

## 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Date	Event	Year Group	Time
5 <sup>th</sup> November	<ul> <li>Piano Lessons</li> <li>Swimming Lessons at RVLC</li> </ul>	-Whole School -P4-P7	-Day -afternoon
6 <sup>th</sup> November	<ul> <li>Spanish</li> <li>Road of Hope Shoe Boxes collected today.</li> <li>PFTA Meeting at 7pm- All Welcome</li> </ul>	-Whole School	-Afternoon -7pm
7 <sup>th</sup> November	Visiting Hezlett Primary School (Scripture Union Interactive Bus)	-P5-7	1.15pm- 2.15pm
8 <sup>th</sup> November	Traditional Music Lessons with Mr Glasgow	-P4-7	-afternoon
9 <sup>th</sup> November			

- The School Photographer will visit the school on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November. She will be here from 8.30am. Pupils may have individual and family photographs taken. The orders placed may not be here before Christmas but should arrive soon after.
- Ballyhackett Primary School Christmas Shoe Box Appeal
   Once again we have decided to participate in the, Road of Hope Christmas Shoe Box Appeal. This Appeal provides gifts for children and elderly in countries such as Bosnia, Croatia, Romania and Africa.
  - A Shoebox Appeal Leaflet with the details of what is required has been sent home. We are hoping that each family or each child (you can decide) will fill a shoebox. If any older or younger siblings wish to participate they are very welcome to do so. Shoeboxes will be collected from school on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Please remember to bring £2 in a labelled envelope to help cover the transport costs. We hope you will all enjoy supporting this project.
- Due to unforeseen circumstance Ballyhackett will be closed on FRIDAY 23RD NOVEMBER. This day is to be a STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY. This means that the

children will return to school earlier than planned after the Christmas Holidays. School will now reopen on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019. I am sorry for any inconvenience caused.

- Next week is Anti –Bullying Week! Please talk to your child about the importance of showing kindness to others. The Theme of Anti Bullying Week is RESPECT. Under this theme we will be encouraging pupils to think about what the word respect means to them, what it feels like to be respected and how they show respect to others. Overall, we will be exploring how respect for others can build an antibullying culture in our school!
- We say a huge, "Thank you" to Philip Thompson They are inscribed with the words, "Buddy Benches, Ballyhackett." who made and donated two lovely Buddy Benches to our school. These are seats where the children can sit and relax or where the children can sit if they are feeling lonely. Others will see them and can come along to sit and chat!
- We say, "Thank you!" to Gerard McGinley who was the DJ at the recent Dance- A-Thon. Gerard donated his services free of charge and we are very grateful.
- The Dance- A-Thon raised a total of £539. Thank you very much for your help and support.
- Please read carefully all notes going home today. There are letters about the Pantomine and Bag Packing at TESCO. Your co-operation in these matters is appreciated.
- The Weekly Newsletter can be found on the School Website. Please look on the website if you do not receive a paper copy of the newsletter.