



BOOK FAIR ARRIVES – Our annual book fair arrives this Wednesday and will be at the back of the Assembly Hall for one week. The fair will be available from 1.50 pm each day, should you wish to visit the fair with your child. The children received a £1 book voucher last week and can use that as part payment for any book at the fair. They could also use the voucher to buy a £1 read from any participating shop. If you are unable to accompany your child to the fair, every class will be exploring the books on offer and your child can purchase a book during that visit.

This year we are celebrating World Book Day with a 'Bedtime Stories' day on Thursday 1st March. Pupils may come to school in their pyjamas and dressing gown and may bring a teddy to read to. They should wear their school shoes as they will be outside at break and lunchtime, weather permitting. Every class will be involved in a World Book Day competition and prizes from the fair are available for each year group.

EASTER FAMILY FUN – Our PTA are holding an evening of fun for all the family on Friday 23rd March. Starting at 7.00 pm, we will be having an Easter Bunny Drive (Beetle Drive with an Easter twist) and Pudding Party. Refreshments will be included in the entry price and will include tea, coffee, juice and a variety of desserts. We will draw the raffle for some Easter Hampers and donated items. To that end we would ask each family to contribute a couple of items suitable for an Easter Hamper. The Parents' Support Group hope to meet on Thursday 15th March to prepare the hampers. Raffle tickets will be on sale next week.

EASTER ASSEMBLY – The week beginning 19th March brings a week of special Easter Assemblies led by Hope For Youth Ministries and CEF.

Our Easter Assembly is on Wednesday 21st March at 1.15pm. Every child will be taking part. Come and join us as we celebrate Easter together. Parents are free to take their children home after the assembly if they wish.

MINIBEAST FUN – School has secured a grant to run a special science day to celebrate National Science Week. On Friday 16th March we will be having Zoolab in school to work with our younger pupils who missed out on Zoolab workshops earlier in the year. The topic is minibeasts and we will be joined by pre-schoolers from Busy Bees's and Tober Tinies for a fun filled morning of creepy crawlies!

DRUMMING PERFORMANCE – All P5 parents are warmly invited to a short drumming performance in St. Mary's Primary School, Glenview on Tuesday 6th March at 10.30 am. The children have been having tuition over the past two months and have prepared a fantastic show with djembe drums, boomwhackers and steel drums – this is one not to miss!

BEE SAFE – P6/7 will be travelling to Magherafelt on Wednesday to attend the PSNI's annual safety event. This is always an enjoyable and educational event and gives our older children an opportunity to explore road safety, personal safety and e-safety.

DIARY DATES

28 th Feb	Scholastic Book Fair – use your £1 book token.
28 th Feb	Bee Safe (PSNI) Event at St Swithin's Magherafelt – P6/P7 9.45 to noon.
1 st Mar	World Book Day, wear your pyjamas, dressing gown and bring your teddy. Remember – school shoes!
6 th Mar	P5 Shared Education Drumming Performance.
6 th Mar	Last day of Scholastic Book Fair.
15 th Mar	Action Mental Health, Healthy Me, beginning at 10am for the whole school.
15 th Mar	Parents' Support Committee meeting to prepare Easter Hampers.
16 th Mar	P1 to P4 Zoolab (minibeast) visit.
21 st Mar	Easter Assembly 1.15pm.
23 rd Mar	Bunny Drive, Easter Raffle and Pudding Party starting at 7pm.
27 th Mar	SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 2PM, <u>NO PAL CLUB.</u>
11 th Apr	School Reopens.