

# January Newsletter, 2022

## Happy New Year!!

### Main Dates and Events for your Diary Term 2!!

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- School Admissions for P1  
September 2022

On-line applications open 10<sup>th</sup> January  
and  
Close at 12noon on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022.  
Please see final page for further details.

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- Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022

### School Photographs with Tempest Photography.

All pupils will have individual  
photographs taken and proof will be sent  
home when ready for you to decide what  
you wish to order.

Whole class photographs will also be  
taken

**ALL PUPILS MUST BE IN FULL  
SCHOOL UNIFORM, PLEASE.**

### Family Groups

These can be accommodated but only  
between 2 - 3pm and through booking in  
advance only as COVID restrictions will  
be in place for registering to enter and  
exit the school.

*Booking forms will be sent home on  
10<sup>th</sup> January for return to school on  
or before Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January  
2022.*

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### Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022 (inclusive)

Mid-Term Break  
**SCHOOL CLOSED.**  
(Re-opens Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> February.)

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### Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> & Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March

School Closed for all pupils  
St Patrick's Day Holiday on 17<sup>th</sup>  
Staff Only Day on 18<sup>th</sup>.

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### Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2022 (Inclusive)

Easter Holidays

### Early closure for 11:00 am: Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2020

School re-opens Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022  
for Term 3.

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### Ulster GAA Football Coach.

Beginning 13<sup>th</sup> January for consecutive  
Thursdays for P5 - P7 pupils.

### Ulster GAA Hurling Coach

Beginning 17<sup>th</sup> January for consecutive  
Mondays for P4 & P5 classes.

### Clonoe O'Rahilly Coach

Will continue on Tuesdays for P6 & P7  
classes this term.

Healthy Kidz After Schools Clubs

**Monday** 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> January and  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> February for  
**P2/3** from 2:00pm - 2:55pm  
**P4/5** from 3:00pm - 3:55pm.

**Friday** 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> January and  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> February for  
**P6/7** from 3:00pm - 3:55pm.

Please remember, booking for this club is  
online and independent from the school.

Swimming Sessions Group 1.

Primary 6

Monday from 10<sup>th</sup> January - Monday 14<sup>th</sup>  
February inclusive.

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Mobile Phones and Electronic Devices.

Please note that it is against school policy  
for any child to bring in a mobile phone, i-  
pad, DS or any electronic device to school.  
They are too expensive and precious a gift  
to run the risk of them being broken or  
going missing.

**The school will not accept any  
responsibility for such item if brought in.**

**Policy available on school website**

[www.stpatricksannaghmore.com](http://www.stpatricksannaghmore.com)

If discovered, they will be taken to the  
office for safe keeping and sent home at  
the end of the school day.

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**All visitors, Parents & Guardians to the  
school are respectfully requested to  
switch off or silence phones while inside  
the school building and while on school  
grounds.**

**Please do not take offence if asked to do  
so.**

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Traffic outside the school

Please ensure that when parking, that  
residents are not blocked into or out  
of their drive ways in the mornings or  
at pick-up times in the afternoon.

A sincere 'Thank You' to all parents  
who are supporting the appeal to leave  
clear access at the school gate at all  
times when parking.

Please do not hold conversations at  
the school gates at this current time  
due to COVID and need to reduce  
transmission opportunity.

It is essential that when dropping  
children off at the school you move on  
as quickly as possible to reduce  
serious congestion from traffic on  
the Annaghmore Road.

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Healthy Hearts and Minds  
Initiative.

This programme will begin Thursday  
13<sup>th</sup> January and continue for 10 - 12  
weeks for children taking part.

If you think your child may benefit  
from participating in this initiative,  
please send in note or email principal  
so we can get in touch to discuss  
further.

This is not a catch-up programme.

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Visitors to the school.

We continue to follow COVID  
restrictions and all visitors must ring  
into the school and speak to secretary  
from the school gate. Meetings with  
staff will be after 3pm to allow for  
social distancing. All entering will be  
expected to wear a mask and to  
register their details on entry.  
Sanitising facilities will be available  
on entry.

## Admissions to Primary 1 & Post Primary in September 2022.

### School Admissions 2022/23



#### Information for parents/guardians

Please see below key dates in admissions for year 2022/23. For parents/guardians the first date of note is the publishing of admissions criteria of schools on the EA website.

	Pre-School	Primary	Post-Primary
<b>STEP ONE</b> Admissions Criteria Published on Website	17 Dec 2021	17 Dec 2021	12 Jan 2022

	Pre-School	Primary	Post-Primary
<b>STEP TWO</b> Online Applications Open	10 Jan 2022	10 Jan 2022	1 Feb 2022
<b>STEP THREE</b> Online Applications Close	28 Jan 2022	28 Jan 2022	23 Feb 2022
<b>STEP FOUR</b> Notifications of Applications Outcome	28 April 2022 Stage One 16 June 2022 Stage Two	28 April 2022	21 May 2022

For more information on the admissions process please visit [www.eani.org.uk/admissions](http://www.eani.org.uk/admissions)

For more information, please view the Primary school admissions User Guide available on Education Authority website and also copied to parent information page on our school website.

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*Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need any support or help with the application processes.*