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Braidside Integrated Primary and Nursery School

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1989- 2019: 30 Years of Integration**

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Dear Parents,

Thank you for your attendance at the recent parent-teacher interviews. We were pleased to welcome large numbers of parents into school to discuss your child's continued progress in this academic year. Parents will receive their child's annual pupil report at the end of June. In the meantime, if you have any concerns or queries, please do get in touch with the school office to arrange an opportunity to speak with the class teacher.

Below you will find some dates for your diary of events and activities coming up before the easter holidays.

Dates for your Diary

Individual/ family photographs: 4th and 5th March

World Book Day: Thurs 7th March (non-uniform day when children may come to school dressed as a character).

Mothers' Day Event: Fri 8th March (Student Council event)

British Science Week: 11th- 15th March

Sacrament of First Reconciliation: Tues 12th March @ 11:30am, All Saints' Church (P3 RC RE Group)

Green Day: Fri 15th March (non-uniform day to mark St Patrick's Day)

Monday 18th March: School Closure: St Patrick's Holiday

Big walk and Wheel Week: 19th- 22nd March

P6 Transfer Preparation Talk: Tues 19th March @ 2.20pm- 3pm

Service of Light: Tues 19th March All Saints' Church @ 4pm (P7 RC RE Group)

School will close at 12:15pm on Wed 27th March

Easter Holidays: 28th March -5th April

School will reopen on Mon 8th April

As we approach the end of this term, we will say farewell and good luck to Miss Laverty, following a year teaching at Braidside. We have really enjoyed working with Miss Laverty and wish her well in the future.

From Monday 8th April, we will welcome back Mrs Fenton to P1/2 after her year as UTU President.



Tickets will go on sale week beginning 11th March for our Easter Raffle. Tickets are priced at 50p for 1 or 3 for £1. These always sell incredibly well, so make sure you get your tickets. As well as the first prize Easter basket, there will be other eggs too. The raffle will be held during the last week of term. Information will be shared on the school Facebook page too. Good luck everyone!

Safe-guarding and Child Protection

If you have any concerns regarding safe-guarding or child protection matters you can speak to Ms McAuley (Designated Teacher), Mrs Bradley or Mrs Turner (Deputy Designated Teachers). Additionally, you may contact or write to Mr Martin McConville (Governor responsible for safe-guarding and CP) or Ms Stephanie McMullan (Chair of Board of Governors). At any time, you can contact the NI Public Services Ombudsman (0800 343 424) or the local Children's Services Gateway Team or PSNI Central Referral Unit (028 9025 9299).

Hair Care

Please check hair regularly and treat as necessary.

A range of treatments are available, including wet combing with a fine comb, lotions from pharmacies, and electric combs. Pharmacists can advise. **Repeating** the treatment is essential to break the cycle.

We are grateful for your support with all school and class activities and as always, I would encourage you to look at our Facebook page and school website for regular updates and information. Parents can also download the Schools NI app to their phone, select Braidside and you will receive alerts.

Yours faithfully,

J McAuley

Principal