

# Final News Update - 22.6.21



Dear Parents,

We have finally reached the end of this academic year and are looking forward to a well-earned Summer break for everyone concerned.

I would like to acknowledge the hard work of our entire staff team, who have remained steadfast throughout such an unusual time to ensure the safety of our pupils and entire community as a whole.

We wish to commend our wonderful pupils, whose resilience and adaptability has been exemplary. To you our parents, we thank you for your patience and understanding in all matters, particularly with the fluidity of the current pandemic which impacted greatly on our academic year.

**Update as follows:**

**Non-uniform day!**

**Non uniform day**– Reminder on Wednesday 23.6.21. You can pay for this via parentpay. All support is greatly appreciated.

**Reminder: School will close tomorrow (Wednesday 23.6.21) for all pupils at 1.45p.m. for P1-P3 and 2.00p.m. for pupils in P4-P6**

**School Dinners on this day – Menu is now altered from roast dinner to chicken nuggets and chips**

**Teachers for next academic year as follows:**

**P1/2** – C.Wadsworth and M. Magowan

**P2/3** – Mrs Sloan

**P4/5** – Mrs Mc Coeey

**P6** – Mrs Doran

**P7** – Mrs Shortt

**Moving Up Day – Thursday 24.6.21**

Parents, in light of recent events in neighbouring schools, where unfortunately Covid is still very prevalent, we are amending the running order of this day.

All pupils, except P1/2, will remain with their current bubble. Our teaching staff however will rotate and visit the new pupils they are scheduled to have in September 2021. The current P1/2 class will remain as a bubble and be supervised by Mrs Doran, while Mrs Wadsworth and Mrs Magowan welcome our new P1 pupils on this morning.

**Reminder: School will close for all pupils Thursday 24.6.21 - P1-3 at 11.00 and 11.10 for P4-P6 on this day.**



We have been asked to bring to your attention the Summer reading challenge which will take place during the Summer from Tandragee library. Mrs Magowan will post the details of this on our school website.

### **School Uniform- September 2021**

Can we please request that our pupils wear full uniform for September. This includes full former/new uniform. Leggings and legging shorts are not permitted. We ask for your support to ensure your child is wearing black shoes/ supportive footwear at all times.

Please see below reminder for the new uniform for each pupil for **September 2022**

<b><u>Main uniform – Boys (P3-P7)</u></b> Navy trousers White shirt Red jumper with our school logo Stripe tie Navy socks Black shoes	<b><u>Main uniform – Girls (P3-P7)</u></b> Navy tunic/pinafore White shirt Red cardigan with our school logo Stripe tie Navy socks/tights Black shoes (Girls may choose to wear trousers as an option)
<b><u>PE Uniform (worn twice each week by P3-P7 and daily by P1 and P2)</u></b> Plain Navy tracksuit bottoms- no logo or branding. White polo shirt/ O'Neill's jersey top Red sweatshirt with logo	<b><u>PE alternative option – not compulsory</u></b> O' Neill's jersey top O' Neill's Half zip O' Neill's tracksuit bottoms O' Neill's shorts The O' Neill's items e.g. the jersey top, can be worn with the plain navy bottoms and sweatshirt.
<b><u>Summer uniform options not compulsory, only if desired</u></b> Navy formal trouser shorts with navy socks (not sports shorts) Gingham dress (red/white check pattern) with white ankle socks only Red jumper/cardigan with school logo Black shoes/footwear	
School cardigan/jumper with logo, tie and sweatshirt can be purchased in Saints and Scholars, Newry. Donaghy's Banbridge are also suppliers for the school sweatshirt with logo.	



In preparation for September we anticipate we will be facilitating Breakfast Club each day from 8.00a.m. and after school minding 2.00-3.00, 3.00-4.00 and 4.00-5.00.

We ask you to notify the school secretary, if you wish to avail of such services, so we could ascertain going forward and inform you all of the viable options for us all. Can we please request you to email our school secretary on [lmorrow846@c2kni.net](mailto:lmorrow846@c2kni.net) no later than noon on Thursday 24.6.21.

**Term 1 for all pupils 2021-2022 will commence on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September.**

We wish you all a peaceful and safe Summer break and look forward to all our pupils returning to us in the new academic year. In keeping with our themes of kindness and gratitude, which we actively encourage all our pupils to continue to be mindful of:



Yours in continued partnership.

C. Wadsworth and staff of St. Joseph and St. James's P.S