

UPDATES/REMINDERS FOR NOVEMBER

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child

Article 19: *Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as for their parents, their own and other cultures and the environment*

- Our recent Scholastic Book Fair lifted £1043.76, the commission of which will be used to add to our book library. Thanks to all who contributed to this total.
- We are delighted to inform you that, after recent interviews, Mrs Doreen McClung has been appointed as our permanent Principal Release Teacher.
- Thank you also to all those who celebrated Harvest with us on Friday 18 October in Aughnacloy's Church of Ireland. We are delighted to inform you our food collection for REACH filled 5 boxes and our retiring collection raised £310.23.
- The Poppy Appeal box will be in school this week.
- * A reminder that photos for Christmas Card orders are being taken in school on Thursday 07. Children can change into their own outfits for these photos. Please also ensure all outstanding order instructions are sent in to the Class Teacher before Thursday, even if you do not wish to place an order this year. A4 pages for personal artwork will be sent home. AS Multi-Sports commences today for P4 - P7 at a charge of £2 per session & AS ArtsEkta continues in St Mary's.
- * We send best wishes to all those P7 pupils sitting their first AQE on Saturday 09.
- * NIFRS Officer Stephen Orr will be in school on Tues 12 to give a fire safety talk to Mrs Loane's Class.
- * Cancer Focus NI will be carrying out Cancer Prevention Workshops in school on Wed 13.
- * The School Football Team are participating in a local Tournament being held in Dungannon on Thurs 14. The Team will need to bring packed lunches with them that day. The Tharps Gospel Family from America visit us after lunch.
- * Our Children In Need fundraising day is Fri 15 and we are having a Bun Sale. More details will follow.
- * Wed 27 is the final After-School Hockey session for this term.
- * Fri 29 is the final AS Rugby session for this term.
- * Tues 03 December is the final AS Football session for this term.
- * Can we please reiterate that our annual Christmas Concert is on Wednesday 18 December.
- * We appeal to new members for our School PTA to help existing members with our upcoming Christmas Concert. We intend to hold a PTA meeting within the next few weeks so all new & existing members please complete and return the attached Reply Slip if you can commit a few hours of your time over the next month.
- * At our last PTA meeting, it was planned to hold a children's Tractor Run & Coffee Morning during school hours before the end of November—a date will be confirmed asap.
- * Currently Miss Kyle has used the £2977.50 raised to purchase 6 brand new 2019 ipads, one for each class. Once again, we would like to thank all those who helped with fund-raising efforts. As we continue to fundraise, we will purchase more ipads.
- * In relation to our payment app, we are in the final stages of getting it up and running and will keep you posted with details.
- * Scholastic magazine is attached, any orders & money to be received by Fri 15.

**SCHOOL PTA
EXISTING & NEW MEMBERS**

Name: _____

I *am interested in joining/ *will be continuing to assist the School PTA and can volunteer time to help with upcoming events.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____