

# February/March 2019 NEWSLETTER



## *New ICT Resources*

Thanks to the ongoing fundraising efforts of our PTA, we are delighted to say that we've been able to purchase 10 new computers for our school. This is an invaluable asset in terms of enriching the children's learning experiences when it comes to the teaching and learning associated with all curricular areas and in particular ICT. **Thank you PTA!**

## *Tots' Time is BACK!*

With our building work now complete; Tots' Time will recommence on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March and the first Wednesday of every month from now on. Please spread the word and invite new families into our school.

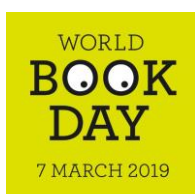


## *Swimming and Sports Coaching*

The P4/5 swimming and sports coaching programme will commence on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019. This programme will run for 7 weeks and is priced at £4 per session.

## *World Book Day*

In order to celebrate 'World Book Day', children will dress up as their favourite book character and participate in a world book day parade on Thursday 7 March 2019. There will also be lots of FairTrade focused literacy activities carried out on the day.



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### *Tri County Sports*

The Carntall football team will participate in the Tri County Football Tournament, on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February and 7<sup>th</sup> March, in Dungannon.

The Carntall netball team will participate in the Tri County Netball Tournament, on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March, in Dungannon.

Children will receive their snack as normal and will be home in time for school dinners.

### *Shared Education*

Our shared education programme is progressing well, with lots of exciting opportunities for collaborative learning. This term, P1&2 are engaging in shared learning, with a focus on their topic 'Brrrrr, its freezing'.

### *STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths)*

As part of our continued focus on developing the children's STEM skills, two teams of pupils will represent Carntall at the Sentinus K'Nex Challenge Competition on 7<sup>th</sup> March and the STEM Challenge Competition on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

### *Returning Reading Books to School*

Unfortunately, there are an increasing number of reading books **NOT** being returned to school. We would therefore, appeal to all families to have a good 'hunt' for books at home and return them to school with your child/children. Rewards and incentives will be issued on receipt of the books. Thanks in advance for your support with this.

### *P6/7 Residential Trip*

A further £40 instalment is now due for the P6/7 residential trip. Please return this to school with the reply slip overleaf.

### *Transfer Club*

Following the success of last year's transfer results, the afterschool transfer club will commence for P6 pupils on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019 (2:45-3:45pm)

## Eco Schools Focus

This month we will be celebrating '**Fairtrade Fortnight 2019**'. We will be hosting a special assembly, a special event and enjoying lots of FairTrade learning activities throughout the week. Parents and the community are cordially invited to attend our special 'FairTrade' Coffee Morning on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March.

**Celebrating FairTrade Fortnight**

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 2019	
DATE	EVENT
FRIDAY 1 <sup>ST</sup> MARCH	Fairtrade Awareness Afternoon
MONDAY 4 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH	P7 Eco Committee members attend Fairtrade event held by Mid Ulster District Council
TUESDAY 5 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH	Fairtrade Pancake Day
WEDNESDAY 6 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH	Fairtrade Class Learning Activities
THURSDAY 7 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH	Fairtrade Baking Day
FRIDAY 8 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH	Fairtrade Friday Fundraiser event for parents and friends

**Carntall PS Style!**

Carntall Primary School Eco Committee Fairtrade Fortnight 2019

Water | KEEP THE ENVIRONMENT BEAUTIFUL | ECO-SCHOOLS | Waste

Global Awareness

You are invited to our

**Fairtrade Coffee Morning**

Sponsored by Fivemiletown Co-op

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 9:30am - 11:30 am

Tea, Coffee and other Fairtrade Treats

Come along to find out more about Fairtrade. Drop in when you can.

Donations and Proceeds of Co-op Fairtrade Hamper Competition will be given to the Eco Committee's chosen charity for this year - Tearfund

**FAIRTRADE**

**CASH FOR CLOMOR COLLECTION**  
LENT 2019  
10 PENCE IN 40 DAYS  
DECUTTERING CHALLENGE

**SMALL CHANGE CHALLENGE**  
Collect 1p, 2p, and 5p.  
Drop them into our Tearfund bucket.  
Money collected will be donated to Tearfund water projects around the world.

PLEASE HELP US TO HELP OTHERS

**tearfund**

Look out on the Carntall PS Facebook page, website and newsletters for future Eco Committee events we will be holding to promote Global Awareness in our bid to maintain our status as an Eco Schools Green Flag Award Winner.

## Community Choir Event

**St. Macartan's Cathedral**

**Clogher**

*A Day of ...*

**Praise and Worship**

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2.30 – 6.30pm**

Drop into the Cathedral and soak in God's presence as you listen to organists, choirs, soloists & worship bands fill our beautiful Cathedral with praise & worship to the King of kings.

Stay for 5 minutes or all afternoon.

~ a warm welcome & a cup of tea awaits you ~

**A Service of Praise & Worship**

Our day of Praise & Worship draws to a close with a Service at 7pm.

Guest Preacher: Rev Stephen McElhinney

Mission Director of S.A.M.S

Our school choir has been asked to sing as part of the service of Praise and Worship at 7pm on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March. We would be very grateful if pupils (P4-P7) could be in attendance at this. A separate letter and consent form will follow.

## CALENDAR

**8 February:** Alan Nixon KS2 football coaching

**8 February:** Tri-County football tournament

**15 February:** Mrs Clement's Class assembly for parents and friends at 9:30am

**25 February:** P4/5 Swimming & Sports coaching Commences (7 weeks)

**25 February:** P6 transfer club commences (£1 per session to cover copying costs)

**25 February:** Shared Education Council elections at the Mid Ulster Council chambers

**26 February:** Hidden Harm workshop for P6/7 delivered by DICE 10:45am

**5 March:** Tri County Football Tournament

**6 March:** Tots' Time 10:00-11:30 am

**7 March:** World Book Day Fancy Dress Parade (Favourite Book Character)

**7 March:** K'NEX Stem Challenge Competition in Dungannon

**10 March:** Community Choir Event at 7pm

**12 March:** P1 appraisals by the School Nurse

**14 March:** STEM Challenge Competition in Dungannon

**18 March:** Bank Holiday-School Closure

**21 March:** Children's Mental Health Awareness Evening for Parents (more details to follow)

### *P6/7 Residential Trip-Instalment 3*

I send a third instalment of £40 for my child's participation in the P6/7 residential trip.

Child/Children's name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

