

PARKGATE PARENT NEWSLETTER

April (4) 2022

Parent Meeting

At a meeting on Wednesday evening the process for the election of parent Governors was explained. There are currently two Parent Governor positions available on the school's Board of Governors and an election will be held in June. Further information to follow.

The PTA was also reconstituted and the parents below were appointed;

Chair - Mrs Gawn (P1/P3 parent)

Secretary - Mrs Rouse (P1 parent)

Treasurer - Mrs McCullough (P1/P4 parent)

I want to thank each of the parents for agreeing to take on these roles. The staff and I look forward to working alongside both office bearers and volunteers in planning and hosting fundraising and social events for parents and pupils to further strengthen our school community.

To aid communication between the PTA and all parents and staff an email account is being created as well as an <u>info only</u> WhatsApp group. If you wish your contact details to be included, please complete the attached reply slip and return it to the school office by <u>Friday 13 May.</u>

PTA Date for your Diary -

Our first social event will be a Jubilee BBQ and Fun Evening on <u>Wednesday 1</u> <u>June</u>. As our focus for this event is on reconnection and building school community relationships the PTA have decided to run this event using existing funds. There will be no charge for the event; instead a donations box will be available on the evening. It is hoped that this will be an opportunity for all parents, pupils and staff to enjoy a relaxed evening and to reconnect after two years of restrictions.

A planning meeting will be held in May and full details of the event will follow.

Swimming P5-P7

A final payment of £5.70 for Term 3 swimming is now due. Adjustments have been made to reflect missed sessions due to industrial action and election closure. Payment should be sent to the school office in a named envelope by Friday 13 May.

P7 Trip - The Lake Kilrea

The date for the P7 trip has been confirmed as **Thursday 23 June**.

School Closure Reminder

School will be closed for May Bank Holiday on Monday 2 May.



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School will be closed for local government elections for all staff and pupils on **Thursday 5 May.**

Dates for your Diary

| 02.05.22 | School closed – Bank Holiday |
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| 05.05.22 | School closed – Local elections |
| 27.05.22 | Sports Day |
| 01.06.22 | Jubilee BBQ |
| 02.06.22 | School closed – Jubilee Holiday |
| 03.06.22 | School closed – Jubilee Holiday |
| 06.06.22 | School closed - School Development Day |
| 10.06.22 | P1/P2 summer trip – Greenmount |
| 14.06.22 | P3-P6 summer trip – Armagh Planetarium |
| 23.06.22 | P7 Trip – The Lake Kilrea |
| 24.06.22 | P7 Leavers Assembly |
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Mrs V Ferguson Principal

Please complete and return to the school office by Friday 13 May.

To reduce administration time, only one email address and one mobile number should be provided.

PTA Communication

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| I give perm | ission for my email address to be added to the PTA mailing list. |
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| I give perm | ission for my mobile number to be added to the PTA WhatsApp group. |
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| Date: | |

Online shoppers - Help raise funds for the school with the click of a finger