

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

INFORMATION AND UPDATES:

Welcome back: Friday 28th August, 2026

It is exciting to be back to the start of the new term and all the possibilities it provides for our children to move forward with their new year group! This year we will be focusing on our new 3 year School Development Plan (SDP) and I will be keeping you updated with regard to this across the school year. As you may have seen from Facebook, all staff have received nurture training and we will be developing nurture groups across the school. Teaching staff also completed vision training with NICIE in August and Child protection training.

The 5 areas of our SDP 2026-29 are:

- 1. Staff, pupils and families understand and support the school's shared vision*
- 2. A high-quality learning and teaching environment is established with data used effectively to raise achievement*
- 3. A culture of well-being and mutual respect is experienced by staff, pupils, parents & across school community*
- 4. Our school actively engages with families and the local community to support learning and wider development*

Staffing:

We are delighted to have so many returning staff this year. Welcome to **Miss Coulter** P5 class teacher, **Mrs Holland** P2/3 job-share teacher and netball, **Miss Kelly** in the nursery and **Mrs McVeigh** as assistants.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- **Monday 31st August** – school closed to everyone BANK HOLIDAY
- **Tuesday 1st September** - Nursery staggered start commences
- **Friday 4th September** – whole school safeguarding assembly
- **Monday 14th September @ 6:45pm** AGM face to face/virtually for Parents Council
- **Tuesday 15th September** Nurture team visiting and modelling class sessions
- **Tuesday 22nd September** Uberheroes day for P7 pupils
- **Thursday 24th September** Nina's notes for Foundation Stage Nursery-P2
- **Friday 25th September** school closed by DENI- Transform Ed training day
- **Monday 28th September** school closed to pupils -staff training on data analysis, nurture and factual reporting **Tuesday 29th sept** – P1 stay until 2pm today
- **Friday 9th October**- P1 special dedication service in school for all P1 families

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