

8 April 2022

Dear Parent

As we come to the end of another term in school I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and to wish you a very happy and relaxing Easter break. It is very encouraging as we edge towards normality. Over the last term it has been great to see the children in assembly and after Easter, we are looking forward to welcoming them back to the canteen.

LEARNING AND GROWING TOGETHER

We have had a great response to the after school activities and I know that lots of children have signed up. Don't forget to sign up directly with the organiser if your child wants to participate in the afterschool activities in the third term.

The parental survey was due to close today at 3.00pm. The survey has been extended to Thursday 14 April @ 3.00pm. As we consider our priorities for the next three years I would really appreciate your input. Please use the link below.

Link to parent log in:<a href="https://survey.gl-assessment.co.uk/s/G1H0PK/">https://survey.gl-assessment.co.uk/s/G1H0PK/</a>Parent password:WPS98912Pa

From a safety aspect could I ask parents to be extra careful when parking at school. Over the last few days we have had a couple of near misses when cars have mounted the kerb when trying to park.

I am absolutely delighted that the Covid phone isn't beeping just as regularly now!! The Covid number will be available until Sunday, 10 April 2022 should your child test positive. Have a good Easter and we will see you all on Monday, 25 April 2022 at the normal time. Below are some key dates:

- Thursday, 28 April 2022
  - Child Protection and Safeguarding Training if you want to be a parent helper on your child's school trip over the next couple of months you must attend the training and complete an Access NI form.
  - PTA AGM I would really value your support. PTA play a vital role in the life of the school. Not only do they fundraise for amazing equipment, they create a positive, inclusive school community, they provide extra opportunities for our children and offer extras that enhance education. I hope that you will be able to join us.
- Friday, 29 April 2022 school is closed for staff training.
- Monday, 2 May 2022 school is closed for the Bank Holiday.
- Thursday, 5 May 2022 school is closed as it is a Polling Station for the Election.

On Sunday, 1 May 2022 we have two staff teams and two parent teams running the Belfast Marathon Relay in order to raise much needed funds for PTA. We are in the process of setting up a "Just Giving" page and we would love you to support the staff and parents. More details will follow.

Kind regards.

JIM LOUGHINS Principal

3 Islandmagee Road, Whitehead, BT38 9NE Tel: 02893353280 Email:jloughins453@c2kni.net Website: <u>www.whiteheadps.com</u> Principal: Mr J Loughins BEd Hons, Med, PQHNI