

## INFORMATION SHEET – JANUARY 2018

### ***School Holidays***

FEBRUARY Half Term **Wed 14<sup>th</sup> – Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Feb** (inclusive)

MARCH : **Monday 19<sup>th</sup>** – St Patrick's Day

Easter: **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April** (inclusive)

½ day Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March

MAY: **Monday 7<sup>th</sup>      Monday 28<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>** (inclusive)

**SCHOOL WILL CLOSE ½ DAY FRIDAY 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018**



### ***PARENT /TEACHER INTERVIEWS***

Nursery - P7 Monday 4<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February - 1.30 pm - 4 pm daily

### ***Christmas Charity***

The total raised was £1090.39. Thank you for your generous contributions.

Fields of Life has already received £408.

Cedar Foundation Christmas Stamps raised £212

### ***Numeracy Week***

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January

Non Uniform Day Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January for those children wearing maths themed clothes eg with patterns, numbers, stripes etc

### ***Courtesy in Car Park***

I appeal to all parents to exercise patience and decorum in our bus/car park at 2.00 pm and 3.00 pm. By doing so, we show respect and understanding of each other's situation and it prevents unhelpful confrontations.

I urge you -

- Not to triple park on the roundabout, as this causes tailbacks for other drivers.
- Not to use Drop off zone to park in the mornings. Please park in the designated areas before embarking to pick up your child/children.
- Be mindful of the fact that the bus bay must be kept clear for 2pm & 3pm



## *School Web Site*

The new school web site provider has eventually got our web site up and running.

### **Get school updates via your phone**



Our school is now listed in the Schools NI app, which allows you to view school updates and receive messages via your phone or tablet. The app is available on both Apple and Android devices, and will give you access to our school news, calendar events and letters.

To install the app, open school web-site [www.ballydownprimary.org](http://www.ballydownprimary.org) on your phone or tablet and click the Download App button that appears at the top of the screen.

Next time you open the Schools NI App our school will be listed at the top of the list. You don't need to have the app open to receive messages.

### **Get school updates via your email**

Email updates are now available through the school website. Please visit the website and enter your email to receive regular messages from school.

Select year group options to receive specific year group messages.

## **Extra- Curricular Activities**

**Table Tennis** - Wednesday & Thursday mornings

P6 and P7      8.45am - 9.15am



**Irish Dancing** - Mondays

P1 – P3      2.00 – 3.00 pm

P4 – P7      3.00 – 4.00 pm



**Paul Evan's Football** - Mondays

P1 – P3          2.00 – 3.00 pm

P4 – P7          3.00 – 4.00 pm



Call 07742349718 for details

**Miniversity** - Wednesdays

P1 – P3          2.00 – 3.00 pm

P4 – P7          3.00 – 4.00 pm



Call 07712042222 or email [study@miniversity.com](mailto:study@miniversity.com) to book a place. Limited spaces available.

**Speech and Drama** - Tuesdays

P1 – P3          2.00 – 3.00 pm

P3 – P7          3.00 – 4.00 pm



Call 07949259196 for information

**Boys' Hockey** - Tuesdays

Team Selection Members Only – 3.00 – 4.00 pm

**Other Extra- Curricular Activities start week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> February**