

MPS Newsletter

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Friday 22nd November 2024



P7 SEAG Tests

Tomorrow is the final SEAG test for our P7s who are sitting the test. This marks the end of the SEAG journey for these children and their parents. They will be so relieved when it is over tomorrow morning. A massive well done to the teachers for the great work they've done in preparing the P7s, to parents for supporting and encouraging over the last year and most of all well done to the children for not giving up and giving their best!



PTA Christmas Fair

We are so excited to be able to hold our Christmas Craft Fair again this year. This is a great opportunity to come and see the craft stalls, visit Santa and there will be crafts and games for the children. See the poster below for details. The PTA Christmas Fair takes place on

Wednesday 27th November from 6:30pm - 8:30pm

PLEASE HELP

We still need donations for our Christmas Food/Bottle hampers, tray bakes/buns for our tea room and volunteers to help! Thank you!

PTA - Cashless System - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

This year the PTA Christmas Fair will be operating on a "cashless system". Parents can purchase tokens in advance. Each token is worth £1. Tokens can be paid for on the School Money App and collected from a PTA member on the night. On the money app you should enter the amount you wish to purchase e.g. £10 / £20, etc

(There will also be the option to purchase tokens on the night with either cash or card)
Tokens will be used for:

- Games
- Christmas Tree Tombola
- Guess the name of the Elf
- Guess the number of sweets in the jar
- Snowball
- Santa's grotto
- Tea / Coffee / tuck shop
- Craft
- Edible craft
- Wooden bauble Craft
- Nail painting
- Glitter tattoos
- Raffle (hampers)

The stalls in the main assembly hall will still operate with cash or card payments.

The food vendors, consisting of Moon Gelato, candy floss and crepes, will be in the new extension and will operate with cash / card.

DIARY DATES

Sat 23 November
SEAG Paper 2

Thurs 28 November
Flu Vaccinations

Thurs 17 December
Flu Vaccinations - mop up

Fri 20 December
School closes at 12noon for Christmas

Mon 6 January 2025
School opens for Spring term

Fri 7 February
School finishes at 12:30pm for half term

Mon 17 February
2025 School reopens after half term

Monday 17 March
School closed - St Patrick's Day

REMEMBER!!!

Stalls and activities run by the school will only accept tokens - not cash.

Any stalls not run by the school will accept cash/card.

Pre-book your tokens now on School Money

Christmas Events in School - book tickets below!

Below are links to book tickets for our Christmas performances. We will also send these via the school app. Please only book once. Maximum 4 tickets per family. Cost - £1 per ticket. Mrs Pattison will communicate separately with Nursery parents regarding their Christmas performances on Tuesday 18th December.

Class	Date & Time	Link to book tickets
P1 and P2	Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th November at 9:30am	https://forms.gle/D2u13yYSFnVvP8mE6
P3 and P4	Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th November at 11:00am	https://forms.gle/TNx3VtwUErsopapV7
P5, P6 & P7	Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th November at 2:00pm	https://forms.gle/yYLPWmfzYwrcEMYJA

Charity Collection - Cancer Fund for Children

After the school performances this year we will be asking for donations for our charity - The Cancer Fund For Children.



Parent Governor Ballot

From Monday 25th November until Friday 29th November at 4pm, parents are encouraged to call into the school office to vote for 2 parent representatives for the Board of Governors.

Ms Magwood will verify that you are a parent and eligible to vote. The ballot paper list the names of the 6 candidates. As there are 2 vacancies you may vote for up to 2 candidates. Personal statements from the candidates can be viewed via the links below:

Mr Conor McKillop - <https://maghaberryyps.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Conor-McKillop-Personal-Statement-2024.pdf>

Mrs Kirsten McClelland - <https://maghaberryyps.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Kirsten-McClelland-personal-statement-2024.pdf>

Mr Kyle McCarthy - <https://maghaberryyps.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Kyle-McCarthy-Personal-Statement-2024.pdf>

Mrs Charmaine Beer - <https://maghaberryyps.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Charmaine-Beer-Personal-Statement-2024.pdf>

Mr Paul Montgomery - <https://maghaberryyps.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Paul-Montgomery-Personal-Statement-2024.pdf>

Mr Jonathan Kelso - <https://maghaberryyps.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Jonathan-Kelso-personal-statement-2024.pdf>

Safer Schools App - Coming Soon...

We will be launching the Safer Schools App for our school in the coming days. This will be useful for keeping parents up to date with online safety issues that may impact your child. We would encourage all



Appendix C

MAGHABERRY PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY UNIT
Ballot Paper for Parent Governor Election – November 2024

You may vote for up to TWO candidates. Please put an "X" in the box next to your preferred candidates. If you vote for more than TWO candidates your votes will be invalidated and will not be counted.

VOTE FOR UP TO TWO CANDIDATES ONLY.

	Name of Candidate(s)	VOTE X
1	Candidate 1	X
2	Candidate 2	
3	Candidate 3	
4	Candidate 4	X
5	Candidate 5	
6	Candidate 6	

parents to download and register for this very important parenting tool. More informations and instructions will follow next week!

Nursery and P1 Admissions - Tours

Online applications for Nursery and P1 open on 10th January at 12noon on EA website. Applications close on 24th January at 12noon. For anyone who has a child starting Nursery or P1 in September 2025 we will be offering tours of the Nursery and/or school in December and January. See the poster below for details. To book please contact the school office on 02892611529 or email info@maghaberryys.lisburn.ni.sch.uk .

Please pass this information on to anyone who may be interested in joining our school community.

Is your child starting Nursery or Primary 1 in September next year?

Maghaberry Primary School

Now taking bookings for school tours in December and January

Please contact the school office to make a booking.

028 92 611 529

info@maghaberryys.lisburn.ni.sch.uk

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Policy Review

We are currently reviewing our “Digital Device/Mobile Phone Policy” and would welcome any feedback from parents. The draft policy can be viewed on the school website and there is also an area to leave feedback.

<https://maghaberryys.com/policies/>



CHILD PROTECTION AND SAFEGUARDING TEAM

Designated Teacher for Child

Protection:

Mrs R Wilson

Deputy Designated Teacher for Child

Protection:

Mrs J Hamilton

Principal

Mr D Spratt

Governors responsible for Child

Protection:

Mrs J Gilmore, Mr J Watson
and Mr G Ellis

Copies of the Child Protection Policy
are available from the school office