

MPS Newsletter

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Friday 15th May 2026



Garden Party

You are warmly invited to our school Garden Party in memory of James Collins, taking place next Wednesday, 20th May from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the main school playground.

We would love to see as many of our school families there as possible to share in this special evening organised by the school and PTA. Here are a few important details for the night:

Family Event:- All children attending must be accompanied by an adult. There will be no supervision provided for children.

Please note that there will be no ball games or organised sports activities/games on the night.

Refreshments & Fun:- There will be live music, tea, coffee, ice cream, and cake for everyone to enjoy!

We look forward to coming together as a community and seeing you all there!

Sports Day IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Our sports days are taking place (weather permitting) on:

Thursday 28th May 2026

Primary 1 to 4 from 9:30am to 10:30am

Primary 5 to 7 from 11am to 12:15pm

Follow this link for full information:

<https://maghaberryyps.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/SPORTS-DAY-2026.pdf>

IMPORTANT - please let us know if your child will not be attending, so that we can factor this into our teams for P1 to P4 sports day.

NURSERY SPORTS DAY - WEDNESDAY 10th June - more information from Mrs Hamilton in due course!

Duck Derby

Our duck derby, organised by the PTA, was a great success! Thanks to the boys and girls and sponsorship from our families and friends, together we raised over £6,400. This is phenomenal!!!! There was a super atmosphere and lots of fun on the morning. Some of our pupils had never heard, or done the actions, to the Birdie song - now they'll never forget it!



DIARY DATES

Wed 20 May
Garden party to open outdoor classroom

Mon 25 May and Tues 26 May
School closed for the bank holiday weekend

Thurs 28 May
Sports day - more info to follow

Thurs 4 June
PTA Summer Fair

Mon 8 to Wed 10 June
P7 Residential Trip to Lorne House

Fri 26 June
P7 Leavers Assembly. Time tbc.
P7 last day.

Tues 30 June
End of Term - School closes at 12noon





LET'S CELEBRATE!



P5 to P7 Pupil of the Month for Handwriting



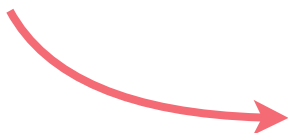
P1 to P4 Pupil of the Month for Handwriting



P7 Miss Neill's swimming certificates



Accelerated Reader Target Achieved Winners!



Lisburn Area Athletics Competition participants



Lexia Superstar certificate Winners!



CLASS OF THE MONTH

This month we awarded
our first ever class of the
month trophy for
Handwriting.

The winners were P1!!!

We are delighted that the Women's Institute, who have used our school for many years, have offered to support the school by providing the trophy for Class of the Month. Thank You!

Football News

We are absolutely delighted that some of our P3 and 4 girls were given the opportunity to attend Windsor Park to be mascots for the Northern Ireland girls under 17 team!!! They had an amazing experience and represented the school really well!!!!



Last week, our school footballers made the short journey to Crewe United to take part in Rowendale's 7 aside tournament. We had a fantastic day and even the sun made an appearance. Our players gave a great account of themselves and played with a great confidence and competitiveness throughout our games. As a result, we topped the group and progressed to the Cup playoffs to play against Downshire. A close fought contest ended in a narrow defeat and sent us on to play Maralin in the 3rd place playoffs. Another fine performance saw us come out victorious to top off a great day out. Well done to all our players who were fantastic all day.



Granda Tom - Thank you!!!

A massive thank you to Granda Tom who always is very hard at work at this time of year around the school grounds. He has been incredibly busy recently having refreshed and repainted our nursery pirate ship and garden shed and doing lots of grass cutting/gardening and keeping the grounds looking ship-shape. He also made some repairs to our flower beds. We are so grateful for all his time and help!!!!!!



Holiday Dates 2026/27

For any families who wish to check next year's school holidays list please follow this link to the school website:

<https://maghaberryys.com/key-dates/>

<https://maghaberryys.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/School-holidays-2026-27-PARENT-VERSION.pdf>

Education Authority SEN Consultation

The Education Authority has officially opened the public consultation for the Enhanced Support Model (ESM) for SEN. This is a key part of the SEN Reform Agenda, and your feedback as school staff and classroom assistants is vital.

Key Details:

- **Deadline:** The consultation is open until Friday 22 May 2026
- **Resources:** You can find testimonials, FAQs, and comparison documents online via the link below.

Read the full letter and access the consultation here: <https://send.eani.org.uk/send-transformation-programme/enhanced-support-model>

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CHILD PROTECTION AND SAFEGUARDING TEAM

Designated Teacher for Child Protection:
Mrs R Wilson

Deputy Designated Teacher for Child Protection:
Mrs J Hamilton

Principal and Deputy Designated Teacher for Child Protection:
Mr D Spratt

Governors responsible for Child Protection:
Mr J Watson
and Mr K McCarthy

Copies of the Child Protection Policy are available from the school website.

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LISBURN MUSIC CENTRE

SUMMER SCHEME 2026

5x30 minutes = **£90**
5x1 hour = **£170**

One-to-One Music Lessons
5 lessons from 20th July-22nd August - times to suit your schedule for all instruments and abilities

Rock Band
27th-31st July 4-6pm daily **£80**
Grade 2+ in your instrument is required for this group session

Theory Classes
Grade 1 & 2: 27th-31st July 10am-1pm
Grade 5: 10th-14th August 10am-1pm
Must have minimum of Grade 2 to book in for Grade 5 class

£60

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