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Dear Parent

I hope you and your family are well and you enjoyed the Easter break. I have set out below some general information and reminders including a change to our extra-curricular programme in term three.

P4-P7 Extra-Curricular Activities programme for term three

Reminder, SportsCity will again be supporting our extra-curricular programme in term three. Football will be available on a Monday, followed by dance on a Thursday for eight weeks at a cost of £32 per activity, per child. If you would like your child to attend either or both these activities, please access the link below and complete the form along with payment by 12.00pm on Wednesday 10^{th} April. The clubs will run from 2.45pm to 3.45pm.

Session	Monday Football Dates	Session	Thursday Dance Dates
1	15 th April	1	18 th April
2	22 nd April	2	25 th April
3	29 th April	3	2 nd May
4	13 th May	4	9 th May
5	20 th May	5	16 th May
6	3 rd June	6	23 rd May
7	10 th June	7	30 th May
8	17 th June	8	6 th June

https://eu.jotform.com/app/233057356086358/page/27?utm_source=jotform_pwa

Please note, an opportunity has emerged just this week to have the Ulster-Scots Agency come into school to work with our P4-P7s after school. However, the tutors are only available on Tuesdays. This will mean that Tag-Rugby will move to Wednesdays. Both clubs will commence next week along with the SportsCity clubs.

Ulster-Scots Club and Tag-Rugby information:

The Ulster-Scots Agency will be running a number of weekly after school sessions on Tuesdays, commencing Tuesday 16th April (2.45pm to 3.45pm) in the assembly hall. The final session is due to take place on Tuesday 11th June. Topics covered by the Ulster-Scots Agency tutors will include in no particular order the Lambeg Drum, Ulster-Scots Language, Scottish Country Dance, the Snare Drum, Highland Dance, the Bagpipes, Drama and Storytelling. There is no fee for this club. Please complete the following form by 12.00pm on Friday 12th April if you would like your child to stay. https://forms.office.com/e/ANMgJYbiHX

I will be running six sessions of after-school Tag Rugby on Wednesdays, commencing Wednesday 17th April (2.45pm to **3.30pm**). The final session is due to take place on Wednesday 22nd May. Please complete this form (again) if your child intends to stay for after school tag rugby on Wednesdays. The form should be completed by 12.00pm on Friday 12th April. Your child will need suitable PE gear for inside and outside. We will use the hall if it is raining. There is no fee for this club. <u>https://forms.office.com/e/QcvcQ9pnfk</u>

The final after-schools Multi-Sports session from term two will take place this Thursday (11th April). The pupils will be outside due to the hall being out of use at this time. Please ensure your child brings with them appropriate outdoor clothing.

Our daily P1-P3 Club will run as normal during term three. Please pay for this through the app.

'The Me in PE' Programme for P1-P4

Reminder. On Friday mornings the pupils in our P1-P4 classes have been enjoying PE under the guidance of Samuel Cartright from SportsCity. Samuel has been delivering a programme that allows our pupils to develop life skills such as teamwork, problem solving, decision making and effective communication, using sport and physical activity to help develop these areas amongst our pupils. He has been working with the pupils from early November. We would be in favour of Samuel continuing his work with the pupils up to the end of the school year. However, at this stage we would need a financial contribution from parents to help meet our costs. I would be grateful if you could use the online payment form in the app to contribute £6.00 per child. Samuel is due back in school on Friday 12th April and will work with the pupils up to the end of June.

<u>Other</u>

- There will be a DPA meeting on Wednesday 17th April at 7.30pm, not tomorrow evening (10th) as initially planned. All parents are very welcome to come along.
- The Stars of the Month Assembly for April will take place on Friday 3rd May at 1.15pm. I will be accompanying our football team at a tournament on Friday 26th April, therefore the assembly has been put back a week. Parents and family members are more than welcome to come along. The 3rd May will also be a non-uniform day. Donations of £1.00 per pupil will be accepted with proceeds going to the DPA.

Yours sincerely

Mr S. Harrison Principal