

EDUCATION AUTHORITY – SOUTHERN REGION

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Dear Parent

It is hard to believe that we are in the final week of school for this academic year. What a busy month it has been! I have included below some additional information for the remaining few days of term and some details regarding starting back in September.

Free School Meals and Transport

Online applications for Free School Meals and Transport are now live on the Education Authority's website. I would encourage you to apply for Free School Meals if you are eligible. This is your entitlement and additional free school meals numbers at the school will ensure that the school receives more money for resources. The EA's website will provide you with more details.

The cost of a meal from the 2nd September will be £2.70 per child, per day. This cost includes charges associated with running the online payment facility. Please book meals for the week beginning Monday 2nd September, by midnight on Sunday 1st September. A menu will be released on the app when it becomes available.

Donaghey Parents' Association (DPA) News

The Carnival night proved to be a fantastic community event. Thank you to those who made it happen and for those who attended. We also managed to raise some money - £171.06.

Thank you very much to the officers and those parents who have attended DPA meetings over the past year. The fundraising work is very much appreciated. More importantly the group helped us open the doors to the community.

Breakfast Club, P1-P3 Club & Toast

Both the Breakfast Club and P1-P3 Club will commence on Tuesday 3rd September. The P1-P3 Club can be paid through the app and cash should be used to pay the Breakfast Club. This will allow your child to use the club with flexibility.

Breakfast Club Fees

A child arriving:

8.00am - 8.15am - £4.00

8.15am - 8.45am - £3.00

Furthermore, with the school opening at 8.45am, pupils arriving at this time are welcome to go down to the hall for a bowl of cereal, toast and a drink before lessons commence at 9.00am. This would cost £1.00 per pupil, per day and may benefit those pupils who arrive on the bus and anyone who would like a quick breakfast before lessons commence.

Principal: Mr S Harrison, BSSc, PGCE, PQH (NI).

The P1-P3 Club (1.45pm – 2.45pm) will cost £4.00 per day, per child.

Toast will be available on Monday 2nd September – 30p per slice.

Other

- **Last day of term** – Friday 28th June 2024. Pupils will go home at 11.30am with the bus running at this time. Toast will be served tomorrow as normal. Pupils are not required to wear school uniform.
- **First day of term 2024/25** - Monday 2nd September 2024. The parents of our P1 pupils have been issued with alternative start arrangements. The school bus will run on this day.

Reminders for September:

- Please purchase black shoes for your child, not black branded sports shoes. Pupils are welcome to leave an old pair of trainers in school for lunchtime football etc. The letter 13/05/24 has more details regarding uniform including information about purchasing pre-used Donaghey uniform. The uniform requirements will again be relaxed in June 2025.
- The General Information section on the app has more information including School Closure Dates 2024/25 and the Parent Information Booklet 2024/25.

If you know of any parent who would be interested in transferring their child to Donaghey Primary School, please encourage them to email me – sharrison687@c2ken.net. Our Facebook page offers a flavour of what we have to offer at the school. Our website will contain information such as the latest inspection report, policies etc.

It remains for me to wish you and your family all the very best over the summer months. Thank you for your support over the year and we look forward to welcoming the pupils back to school on Monday 2nd September 2024.

Yours sincerely

Mr S. Harrison
Principal