In Touch

Parent/Carer Update



Week Beginning:

Monday 19TH June 2023

All pupils deserve a rewarding educational experience.

Dates for your Diary:

Monday 19th June 2023. Class Attendance winner's Reward Day

Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st June 2023 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Assessed Expedition

Tuesday 20th June 2023 EXACT Testing for remaining 10H, 10M and 10L pupils

Friday 23rd June 2023. Year 11 Science Careers Event – 'Not all Chemists Wear White Coats' Sports and Activities Day assembly

> Monday 26th June 2023. Rewarding Achievement Celebration Assemblies

Tuesday 27th to Thursday 29th June 2023 Duke of Edinburgh Silver Assessed Expedition

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Letter from Acting Principal: Please see attached letter from the Acting Principal.

GCSE and A-Level results days:

- AS and A2 examination results will be available to collect from the school assembly hall on Thursday 17th August at 9:00am. 6th form pupils can also use the unique pin code they received earlier in the year to access CCEA results online from 8:00am.
- GCSE results will be available to collect for Year 12 pupils from the school assembly hall on Thursday 24th August from 9:00am.
- The GCSE results will be available to collect for the Year 11 pupils in the school assembly hall on Thursday 24th August from 10:00am.

Any pupil who cannot be present to collect their results may nominate, in writing, someone to collect their results on the morning. This should be given to Miss Trimble in advance of the results day. The nominated person will be asked to show proof of identification upon collection of results.

Free Breakfast: The free breakfast will continue for all year groups, daily from 8am to 8.30am in the school canteen.

Website and Social Media Links:

https://instagram.com/ballyclaress1961?igshid=MmlzYWVINDQ5Yg==

SCHOOL WEBSITE











CLUBS AND SPORT:

Junior Choir: Junior choir will be on again this week in Miss Francis's room at lunch time.

<u>Orchestra</u>: There will be an end of year party for all pupils who have attended orchestra throughout the year. We want to thank you for your constant commitment and all your hard work and effort. This will be held on **Tuesday 20th June** for all those who have taken part throughout the year.

<u>Music Theory Club</u> is on every **Friday**, room 155. This is for any musicians in years 8-14, GCSE or A level students who need to improve their music theory knowledge or complete their theory grades. Music Theory will continue on a Friday after school, and they are looking for new members! If your child plays an instrument or is taking up GCSE next year, we encourage them to attend.

SUBJECTS:

<u>Music Exams</u>: Our pupils have been very busy over the last week completing music exams with a number of different exam boards. We would like to say a big congratulations to you all and a massive well done. We will expect the results of these exams in the next few weeks.

<u>Music Tuition Money</u>: All money for music tuition with the board tutors (Mrs McKay and Mr Doherty) should now have been paid. If you have any outstanding amounts due, please look in your Parent Pay App and contact the school office if you have any issues.

BFFS Future Event:

We know it may seem odd to be discussing Autumn when the weather is so glorious outside, but the BFFS wanted to update staff on an event that we are beginning to plan now, an Autumn Fair on **Saturday 21st October**. The event will be held in school, and we hope to have a series of stalls and activities for families, staff and the wider community. Stalls will pay a small fee to be operational. If you are interested in booking a stall table, please contact Miss Dunwoody on the details given.



OUTSIDE AGENCIES:

Lidl Northern Ireland: has launched it's 2023/24 'Sport for Good Programme' which works in partnership with the children's charity Youth Sport Trust. The aim of this programme is to promote positive mental health amongst secondary school pupils in Northern Ireland by bringing together Northern Irish Olympic and Paralympic heroes and sporting legends, to lead specially designed workshops that teach students how to use the power of sport to improve resilience and enjoyment of exercise, as well as increasing self-esteem and confidence to participate in future sport. Please see *letter attached*. **How to enter:**

To be in with a chance of winning a place on this year's Sport for Good programme, parents and local Lidl Northern Ireland shoppers can nominate your secondary school to win a place on the Sport for Good programme, as well as **£1,000 worth of brand-new sports equipment** by visiting their local Lidl store and making a purchase to receive a qualifying Lidl receipt containing a 10-digit code. Receipt codes must be submitted online along with the secondary school nomination for a chance to win.

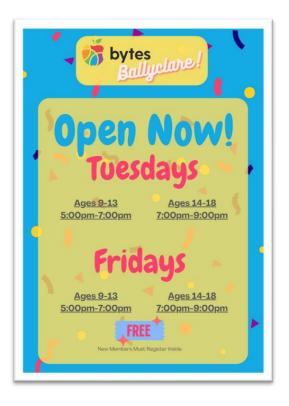
Entries can also be made via the dedicated Sport for Good online entry form at www.lidl-ni.co.uk/lidl-community-works

Workplus: Workplus is an organisation which works to link together apprentices with potential employers. There are a large number of employers available to apprentices through this organisation. Please note the closing date for application is **Monday 19th June.** The link below will take you to their home page which has lots of information about apprenticeships and further links on how to apply. <u>https://www.workplus.app/</u>

<u>The Bytes Project</u>: See the *poster attached* for the Youth Start programme that this group are running. It would be great for any pupils who may not have a destination following school or those who possibly aren't going to achieve their expected grades, but they are happy to work with anyone who feels they need support.

<u>'Ask for Angela' Initiative from CPSS</u>: Please *see attached* information regarding the Belsonic events, and a wonderful scheme called 'Ask for Angela'. This letter is being sent to all schools, as this message is equally worth being heard by staff and parents, as well as our older pupils who may be in attendance. The scheme is very worthwhile and has been rolling out in various venues/establishments in the last months.

<u>Ballyclare youth club</u>: is open for business! Running **Tuesdays** and **Fridays** between **5pm and 7pm for ages 9-13** then **7pm to 9pm for ages 14-18**. The Youth Club is free and new members are required to register upon entry. Members must provide them with their phone number and email address. The youth club is at 2 Doagh Rd, just up from the Town Hall in the old J.A McClelland building.



| Canteen N | Menu: |
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| Morning Break | Notes: 1 st break only | | |
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| Toast Available Daily | | | |
| Monday = Pizza | 2 Service Points | | |
| Tuesday = Croissant | Daily | | |
| Wednesday = Jambon | Subject to Staffing | | |
| Thursday = Sausage Rolls | | | |
| Friday = Croissant | | | |
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| Item | Allergy |
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| Pizza | Wheat & Milk |
| Croissant | |
| Jambon | Wheat, Egg & Milk |
| Sausage Rolls | Wheat <u>May Contain</u> Milk, Egg, Mustard & Fish |
| Toast | Wheat & Soya |

| | Vegetarian | Pasta Bar | Main | Snack Items | Vegetables | Desserts |
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| | | | Course | | | |
| Monday | Salad Bar | Pasta | Sausages | Jambons | Chips | Popcorn Cookie |
| | available For | Bolognaise | | Pizza slice | Gravy | Cup Cake |
| | Wraps | Sauce | | Peperoni | Beans | 15`S |
| | Baguettes | Italiano | | Pizza | Curry Sauce | |
| | | Sauce | | | Grated | Digestive Biscuit |
| | | | | | Cheese | |
| Tuesday | Salad Bar | Pasta | Chicken | Sausages | Veg Soup | Shortbread |
| | available For | Bolognaise | Curry | Rolls | Wheaten | Yoghurt Bread |
| | Wraps | Sauce | & Rice | Pizza Slice | Bread | Krispie slice |
| | Baguettes | Italiano | | Finger Bread | | |
| | | Sauce | | pizza | | Digestive |
| Wednesday | Salad Bar | Pasta | Lasagne & | Chicken | Herb diced | Choc Chip Cookie |
| | available For | Bolognaise | Garlic | Burger | potato | Date Krispie |
| | Wraps | Sauce | Bread | Pepperoni | Baked Potato | Flake meal Biscuit |
| | Baguettes | Italiano | | or Plain | Beans | |
| | | Sauce | | Pizza Slice | Coleslaw | Digestive |
| Thursday | Salad Bar | Pasta | Chicken pie | Beef Burger | Mashed | Chocolate Brownie |
| | available For | Bolognaise | | & Bap | Potato | Chocolate Cookie |
| | Wraps | Sauce | | Pizza Slice | Peas | Creamed Fairy Cake |
| | Baguettes | Italiano | | Soda Bread | Gravy | |
| | | Sauce | | Pizza | | Digestive |
| Friday | Salad Bar | Pasta | Southern | Hot Dogs | Chips | Rice Krispie Bun |
| | available For | Bolognaise | Fried | Pizza Slice | Gravy | Pineapple Delight |
| | Wraps | Sauce | Goujon | | Beans | Meringue Finger |
| | Baguettes | Italiano | | | Curry Sauce | |
| | | Sauce | | | Grated | |
| L | | | 0.144 | | Cheese | Digestive |

Items available Daily, Sandwiches, Baguettes & Wraps all made to order & Panini. Fresh Fruit, Yoghurt, bread, milk & water available. Quote of the Week:

"If we did all the things we are capable of, we would literally astound ourselves." —Thomas Edison



links.russpierson.com/quotes

HOUSE SYSTEM:

HOUSE POINTS:

