



# **Kingsmills Primary** **School** **Newsletter – October** **2020**

We have successfully returned to school and have now moved into month two of the new academic year. We have all been adjusting to the new normal and so far all the children have done brilliantly. They are adaptable and are willing to give things a go following new rules and routines. We would like to thank you all for your continued support in all areas of school life at this difficult time.

## **Harvest Assembly**

We will be holding our service on Thursday 22 October. The services will be prerecorded by each class and uploaded onto Google Classroom (from 9.00am in the morning) where they will be available to view from home. We will refresh all login details and will be resending instructions as to how they can be accessed. This information will follow in due course.

All parents and family members are most welcome to join with us. The children will be singing songs, reading poems and performing short pieces of drama. We hope you will be able to join and celebrate Harvest from home.



## **Shoebox Appeal**

We have decided to support the shoebox appeal once again this year. Mrs Ruth Agnew will be in contact to inform everyone how the programme will be running this year, taking into account COVID-19 and the current restrictions.

Last year we had a fantastic response to this appeal. Thank you in advance for your generosity again this year, in

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## **Music Lessons**

Keith Lyttle, our fiddle tutor will be recommencing fiddle lessons. At present we are gauging the number of fiddlers who wish to take part. We will then put into place all the necessary precautions and regulations and classes will begin ASAP. Further information will follow.

## **Holiday Reminder**

School will be closed from Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October for half term break. These dates are inclusive.



## **School Nurse**

The school nurse will be in school on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October to administer the flu vaccination. Strict social distancing guidance, in line with DENI and HSC regulations will be in operation and all relevant risk assessments will have been carried out.

## **School Council**

The children have elected their School Councillors for this year. They are:  
P3 – Sam and Eve  
P4 – Oliver And Toby  
P5 – Finley and Zoe  
P6 – Jessica and Rossi  
P7 – Charlotte and Ruby



Best wishes to our Councillors. We look forward to hearing their ideas. They have their own budget to manage, so spend it wisely! ☺

## **Parent Teacher Meetings**

Parent Teacher meetings will take place on Monday 19th October-

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October. **All children will go home at 1:15pm on these days.** This year meetings will take place via telephone call. You will receive notice of specific appointment times from your child's teacher closer to the time.

### **Collection Times**

Please ensure you are prompt in the collection of your child/children at the end of the school day.

Reception/P1/2 – 1.15pm and P3-7- 2.30pm. If you are going to be delayed, please try (if possible) to contact the school to inform us. Please inform us if someone different is collecting your child.

### **Coats/Hats/Gloves**

As the weather continues to get colder, please ensure your child brings and wears suitable winter clothing to school. Please ensure their name is clearly marked on their belongings.

### **Correct change**

When sending money into school, please ensure that the correct change is sent.



Many thanks for your continued support.

G Harrison (Principal)