

STRANMILLIS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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ADDITIONAL SCHOOL CLOSURE

Please note that the school will be used as a polling station for the Local Council Elections on **Thursday 2 May**. Consequently, there will be no classes on this day. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Nine years have passed since we last updated our sports kits. It's time for a change!

We plan to replace our **football, hockey, netball** and **rugby** kits.

To cover the cost, we are offering parents and friends of the school a great opportunity to promote their businesses and help the sporting stars of tomorrow!

We would like to identify four sponsorship partners to work with on this project. In return for your support you will receive:

- **your business name on a team's shirt;**
- **a free full page advertisement in our school magazine** (We print three hundred copies of our magazine which is distributed widely in the local area, as well as being given to prospective parents. The usual cost of this advertisement is £100);
- **two free advertisements** in our weekly school bulletin which is distributed to the parents of our 400 pupils; and
- **our gratitude** for helping us make our teams look smart!

Thank you to one of our parents, **Chris Morgan from ClubsportNI**, www.clubsportni.com for agreeing to sponsor the football kit.

If you would like to avail of this fantastic opportunity, please complete this reply slip and send to Mr Arneill in Room 12. In anticipation of high demand, I will proceed with the first three replies which I receive!

Pricing

Prices include a full kit, school crest and sponsor's logo

Hockey Kit – Total cost: £325.00

Rugby Kit – Total cost: £500.00

Netball Kit – Total cost: £325.00

Name: _____ Email: _____

Business name and website: _____

I would like to sponsor the _____ team.

School Photographs Reminder

The school photographer will be visiting the school on Tuesday 5, Wednesday 6 March and Thursday 7 March to take individual and family photographs, as well as class, team and group photos. Reply slips have been sent home with your children. Please ensure that these are returned to school by the date stated. Please note that:

- full school uniform should be worn (shirt and tie);
- team members should have their kits available on all three days;
- if a slip has not been returned we will not be able to take a photograph; but that
- all P1 children will have a photo taken for school records.

The following group photos will be taken: Boys Hockey Team, Girls Hockey Team, Cross Country Team; Football Team, Rugby Team, Netball Team, Band, Orchestra and Recorder Group.

Belfast Netball League

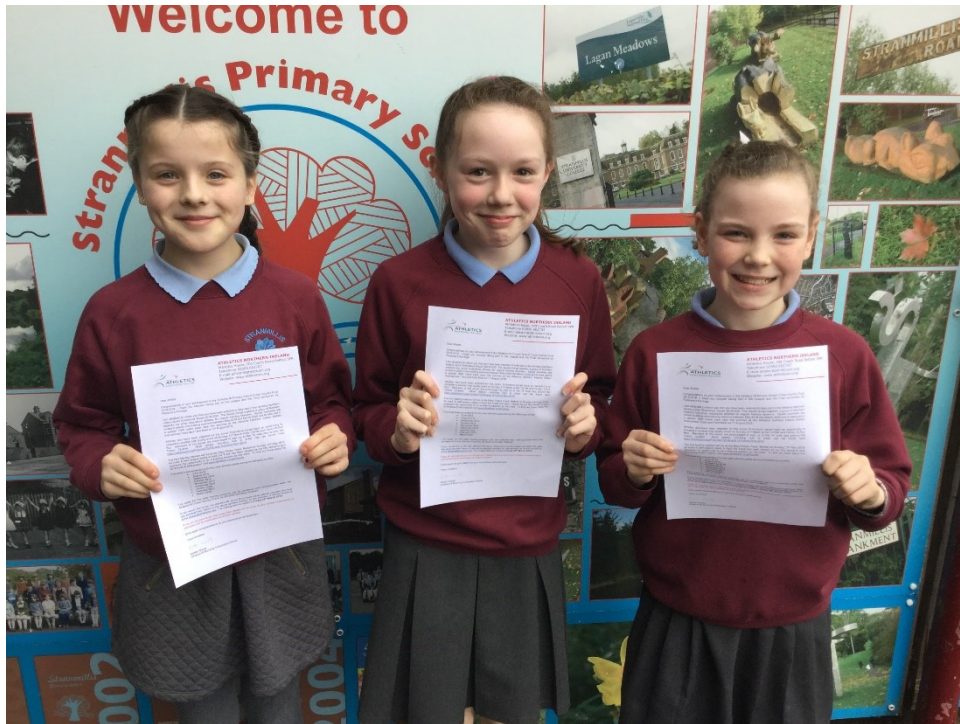
The P7 Netball team had their first two league matches on Wednesday. They played Strandtown in their first game and despite scoring 5 goals they lost 5-11. In the second match they played St Matthew's and the girls had their first win 3-0. A huge congratulations to all the girls who showed superb teamwork and determination throughout both games.

Goal scorers; Abigail Curran (7) Emma Mawhinney (1)



Squad: Luighseach Murnaghan (GK), Zara Donnelly (GD), Carra Reid (WD), Niamh Dunne (C), Sienna Whiteman (WA), Emma Mawhinney (GA), Abigail Curran (GS), Rose-Erin Carter Dickson (GK), Isabella Uprichard (WD), Aine Harwood (C).

CONGRATULATIONS!



Abigail Curran, Thea Cunningham and Zara Donnelly all finished in the top twenty runners at the recent Athletics NI Cross Country final. The three girls were all part of the Stranmillis girls' team which won this competition. The top twenty finishers are invited to join the Athletics NI Junior Endurance Squad for 2019-20. The Squad brings together a group of Northern Ireland's top junior endurance athletes for regular training sessions. Squad members are invited to attend nine training sessions between May 2019 and March 2020 and to take part in a special 1000 metre track race this summer at the Athletics Northern Ireland Belfast International Track and Field Meet on 1st August 2019.

The girls are pictured with their selection letter. Congratulations on this fantastic achievement!

Congratulations

Cora Magee achieved a distinction in her RAD Primary Ballet exam.

Ella Magee passed the RAD Pre-Primary award in Dance.

Ella Cheung has been selected for the Northern Ireland Women's Artistic Gymnastics Performance Pathway Squad.

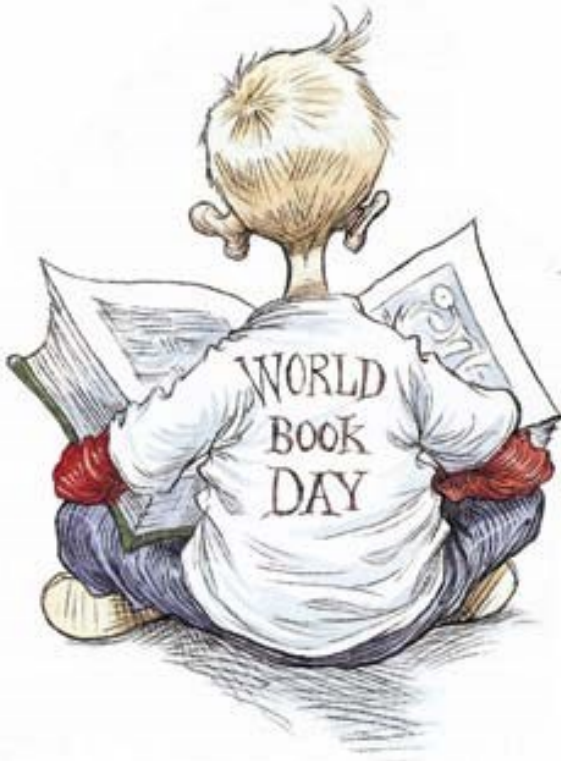
Jude Whiteman received a first place trophy for playing the cello at the Ballymena festival.

Sienna Whiteman received a first place trophy for jazz piano and first place for violin at the Ballymena festival.

Jennifer Thurston won 2nd place for triathlon and 3rd place for jumping equitation in horse riding.

Lucy Dolan has won a medal for skiing.

WORLD BOOK DAY



To celebrate World Book day on Thursday 7th March we will be having a "Guess my character" day. Children will come to school in normal uniform, but will bring a prop; the other children will try to guess who their character is. For example, if I had a golden ticket with gum attached you could guess I was Violet from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.

We will also be having a "Sharing a story" competition which will run for the month of March. To enter you need to send in a photograph of you sharing a favourite book with someone. Make sure that the book title is visible in your photograph.

COMMUNITY NOTICES & ADVERTISEMENTS

Please note that neither the services advertised below nor those providing them, have been checked or verified by the school.

Stranmillis College Parkrun

Parkrun is a free, weekly, timed 5km for runners or walkers of all abilities which takes place in over 1,400 locations across the world. Belfast's newest parkrun is taking place on the grounds of Stranmillis University College every Saturday morning at 9.30 am.

Further information on the course, how to register or the volunteers who keep the event going can be found at www.parkrun.org.uk/stranmilliscollege. Find us on Twitter, Facebook or email stranmilliscollege@parkrun.com if you have any questions. Please note children are very welcome but those under 11 need to be accompanied by a responsible adult and dogs are not allowed on campus so cannot run with you.