



# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Designated Child Protection Teachers: Mr McKane & Mrs Wilson



The pupils' last day at school before the half term break will be next **Thursday, 24 October**. School finishes at the normal time. School resumes on **Monday 4 November at 8.40am**.



The next PTA meeting is tomorrow night, 16 October, at 7.00pm in Room 12. Please plan to attend and share your ideas!



Please visit [www.stranpta.com](http://www.stranpta.com) to book your ticket for the Halloween Party and your ticket for the Halloween raffle!

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WEEK'S  
STAR  
PUPILS

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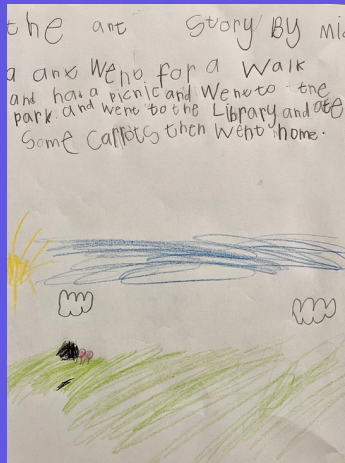
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# Congratulations



Congratulations to Robbie for winning the 'Chief Scout's Bronze Award' for excellent attitude and application in his beaver group. Well done to Sofia who won three medals in Irish Dancing, and to another Sofia who won a medal for Gaelic football. Finally, congratulations to Joe and Charlotte who completed a 2km 'Zombie Run'!



Well done to Eric who is our latest AR Millionaire!



Mia has won an award for creative writing and her story has been chosen as part of the Young Writers Annual showcase 2024. Mia's story, 'The Ant Story', will remain in the national archives of the British Library forever as part of the national published book. Well done Mia!



Thanks to Eve Gilmore for sending in this picture of the Northern Lights on display behind the school building!



# GRADUATIONS



Congratulations to three of our Classroom Assistants, Mrs Packman, Mrs Li and Mrs Bickerstaff, on their completion of further education courses at Stranmillis University College. Mrs Packman and Mrs Bickerstaff graduated from the Classroom Assistant Certificate of Higher Education CPD course, and Mrs Li graduated from the Introduction to SEN Certificate. Our Classroom Assistants play an integral role in the life of our school and are greatly valued. We are very proud of these three members of staff for their fantastic achievements and commitment to their ongoing professional development.

## PACKED LUNCHES

After half-term, we will be asking pupils to take home any rubbish, recyclables, and uneaten food after they eat their packed lunch. This is to ensure that food waste and items such as yoghurt pots and plastic bottles can be recycled, and to show parents that their children are eating up their lunch!



# Thank you

One of our '5 Ways to Well-being' is to GIVE. Last week, the Stranmillis community put this principle into action by contributing to two very worthwhile causes.

On Tuesday, pupils brought in food items to support Storehouse. Storehouse distributes food to families in Belfast who need some support.

Secondly, 140 coats jackets, and outerwear, plus a number of hats, scarves, and gloves were donated to provide warm clothes for some of the children who attend Fane Street.

Thank you to everyone for your generosity, and to Christy McAllister for organising the winter clothing collection.





Stranmillis Primary School  
**HALLOWEEN  
CARNIVAL**  
Weds, 23rd October  
6:15pm to 7:30pm (Nursery - P3)  
7:45pm to 9:00pm (P4 - P7)  
Tickets on sale Thurs 17th - Fri 18th Oct  
in playground and at [stranpta.com/disco](http://stranpta.com/disco).  
Children £5.00 or 3 for £12 (adults go free)

Neon lighting  
Disco  
Potion making  
Spooky stories  
Halloween games  
Halloween toy market  
Pumpkin Racing  
Popcorn machine  
Spooky crafts  
ORTO Pizza  
and much more!



**WIN A SPOOKY  
PRIZE BUCKET!**  
BE IN WITH A CHANCE OF WINNING 1 OF 16 PRIZE BUCKETS,  
CONTAINING TOYS, SWEETS, CRAFT AND NOVELTY ITEMS  
TAILORED FOR EACH AGE GROUP. (1 TO BE WON PER CLASS)  
Raffle tickets: £5 each, available at [stranpta.com/halloween](http://stranpta.com/halloween)



# STRANMILLIS PS HALLOWEEN PARTY

Wednesday 23rd October



☪ COFFEE

☪ TEA

☪ HOT CHOCOLATE

☪ TRAYBAKES



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