STRANMILLIS PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Designated Child Protection Teachers: Mrs McLaughlin & Mrs Wilson

Welcome back to a very short half term! Plans for Christmas are well under way as we look forward to the return of live audiences to our Nativity plays and Christmas concert. Please note the dates in your diary.

Save the Dates

Nativity Plays
P1 - 14th December
P2 - 16th December
P3 - 15th December
Venue - School

P4 - P7 Christmas Concert
Tuesday 13th December
Venue - Fisherwick Presbyterian Church

PRELOVED Uniform Sale

There will be a uniform sale this week in the top playground. This will take place at 2.00pm on Wednesday 9th November and at 8.30am on Thursday 10th November.

Jumpers will be on sale for £5, and polo shirts and trousers/shorts for £2. All the money collected will go to our PTA project, Elevate.

Sustrans Active Travel Programme
Free Bicycle Health Check

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JOIN THE MOVEMENT

The Dr Bike session, which was postponed last term, will now take place next **Wednesday 16th November.** Iain can use the permission form from the postponed session, so there is no need to complete any other forms!

This session is only open to pupils who signed up for the event last term. We plan to have another session next year for pupils who didn't get to take part on this occasion.

Iain is also having a follow up session for parents and pupils who took part in the "Ditch the Stabilisers" sessions. If you would like to attend, please come during the same time slot you attended last term, either 8.45-9.45am or 1.00-1.45pm.

Sporting Success

CONGRATULATIONS

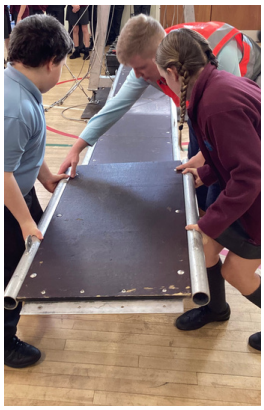
Some of our Stranmillis pupils travelled to Donegal on Saturday to run in the Ulster & NI XC Championships.
Congratulations to Jake Smyth, Theo Spence, Conn Moriarty, Joseph Curran, Beibhinn Bourke and Eimhin Bourke for their participation in such a high level event.
They all ran very well with some medal winners in the group. Jake came 2nd and Beibhinn 3rd in their respective Under 11 races, and Theo came 5th. Eimhin came 4th in the Under 9s race. Incredible acheievements all round!

CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to Aria who was 'Player of the Week' in Simply Judo.

P6 Build Bridges!

Charles Brand is the Principal Contractor constructing flood defences on the banks of the River Lagan from Stanmillis to Belfast Harbour. Today employees from the company brought a bridge kit to School for P6 pupils to build.
It was clearly a fun activity for the children with a lot of great learning taking place. Pupils learnt about the job of a civil engineer as well as simple construction methods. It involved a lot of problem solving and of course required a excellent team work.
Thank you to all of the gentlemen who took time to work with our children and share their skills.



Our Value for November is 'Respect'

Respect
Each other
Self
Property
Environment
Classmates
Teachers

During November we are focusing on what Respect looks and sounds like in our classrooms and beyond. This builds on our school value of cooperation in October.
We want our children to understand that showing respect for others is one of the most important values in the world. Being respectful is one of the key ingredients to being the best citizens that they can be.

Our reflection points for November:

- Respect is knowing I am unique and valuable.
- Respect is knowing others are valuable too.
- Respect is treating others as I wish to be treated myself.
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Respect helps everyone to feel comfortable and safe.

Next Week is Anti-Bullying Week

We are looking forward to Odd Socks Day on **Friday 18th November.** It's an opportunity for our children to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique. All they need to do is wear their own odd socks!

Reaching Out is the theme for this year's Anti-Bullying week and we hope that our children will understand that whether at school, home, in the community or online, reaching out for support or to give support to others is so important.

Christmas Fayre

St Bartholomew's COI, Stranmillis

3rd December, 10:30am - 12:30pm

Entrance: Adults £5 Children free

Festive treats and refreshments provided

Stalls include: Christmas crafts, food, art, ceramics, skincare, flowers/plants and much more

BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE