



# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Designated Child Protection Teachers: Mrs McLaughlin & Mrs Wilson



Closed

## School Closure Reminders

School will be closed from Friday 28 October, an Exceptional Closure, until Friday 4 November inclusive for the half term holiday.

### Storehouse

Matt, from Storehouse, will be in school on Thursday morning to deliver an assembly to our pupils. We will be collecting donations next week to support their foodbank. This year we have been asked to collect **tinned tomatoes** and **pasta** and we would be grateful if you could provide one of these for the collection.



**Storehouse will be in school on Thursday 27 October to collect the donations.**

**Halloween Disco  
Wednesday 26th  
October**

## NEW AFTER SCHOOL CLUB AFTER HALF TERM

Please see below details of a new six week after school club which is open to pupils in P4-P7. The booking is online and there are twenty places, which will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

[https://www.glowgroupni.com/service-page/stranmillis-ps-minecraft-club-p4-p7?referral=service\\_list\\_widget](https://www.glowgroupni.com/service-page/stranmillis-ps-minecraft-club-p4-p7?referral=service_list_widget)



**GLOW**  
GROUP  
BUILDING EDUCATION THROUGH PLAY!

presents  
**Coding and Minecraft**  
- After School Club -

The STEAM coding club involves pupils tinkering with art, electronic and everyday materials to acquire an understanding of how the world around them works. We support their introduction to science, technology, engineering, arts and maths (STEAM) through fun, engaging activities and projects where they learn how they can demonstrate core scientific principles or create innovations of their own through the use of coding. Our artist-maker ethos prioritizes discovery through age-appropriate experimentation, knowledge-building exercises and practical application of theory in a fun, interactive environment.

for 6x1hour  
Lessons

S.T.E.A.M Coding Club will engage young people in fun, hands on activities that will support the learning of STEM subjects in an independent home setting, using



THIS  
WEEK'S  
STAR  
PUPILS

P1



P2



P3



P4



P5



P6



P7



## Cross Country Success

# CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the boys' and girls' cross country teams, for making the best possible start to the new season! Both teams finished in 1st place in Round 1 of the Co Antrim qualifier at the Antrim Forum last Thursday.

In the girls' race, three of the girls finished in the top ten, with Beibhinn Bourke finishing in 2nd place, Sophie Wylie in 7th place and Lauren Kirkpatrick in 9th place. The team beat MCB Prep by three points, winning the qualifier, and giving themselves a great chance to secure a place in the NI final in Round 2 in December.

In the boys' race, the team had one of the school's best ever results, with Stranmillis pupils finishing in 2nd, 3rd and 4th place. Theo Spence was 2nd, Jake Smyth was 3rd and Adam Hanna was 4th. This was an incredible achievement, and Conn Moriarty also made it into the top ten, finishing in 10th place. The team have put themselves in an extremely strong place and are ready for Round 2!

In the girls' fun run, Ava Carson ran a fabulous race, finishing in 1st place! In the boys' fun run, two of the boys finished in the top ten, with Jack Dolliver finishing 5th and Ryan Buchanan finishing 7th. This was a tremendous start to the season for both teams and is testament to the hard work and determination of all the pupils in the squad. I'm also pleased to report that the traybake selection after the race was a good as ever!

Congratulations to all the boys and girls involved.



# Congratulations!



Daniel was part of the GAA team in St Brigid's that won a Gaelic tournament.

Duke was 'Player of the Week' in Simply Judo.

Ryan was Glentoran IFC 'Player of the Month' in September.

Well done boys!



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13 October 2022

Dear Stranmillis Parents and Carers,

My name is Hilary Cunningham and I am the principal of Fane Street Primary School and Nursery Unit. I have asked Mrs Wilson if she would mind passing this letter on to you on my behalf.

A few weeks ago, Mrs Joy Johnston who teaches at Fane Street sent out an appeal to a number of parents and carers in your school for clothing donations. The response has been nothing short of amazing.

As you may be aware, the Fane Street pupil population is extremely diverse and we have a large number of refugees and asylum seekers in attendance. Over the past number of weeks, a large number of Stranmillis parents and carers have donated outgrown uniforms and other clothes to our school community. I was extremely touched to discover that a number of families had actually gone out of their way to purchase new clothing on our behalf. Your school is a shining example of a community pulling together to help others and we are overwhelmed by your generosity.

I would like to extend a huge thank you for your kindness and I can assure you that your donations will be put to good use.

Many, many thanks from the whole Fane Street Family.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Hilary Cunningham  
Principal



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