



# Prep Newsletter

**Creating Confident Children**

Designated Teachers for Child Protection: Mr R Lawther and Mrs S Dowds  
**Week Commencing Monday 16 September 2019**

## The Week Ahead

Date	Additional Information	Extra-Curricular Activities
Monday 16 September	P3 PE P6 Swimming	Breakfast Club 8:00am-8:45am After School 2:15pm-5:45pm Galaxy Coaching P2-P3 2:15pm - 3:15pm Galaxy Coaching P4-P7 3:15pm - 4:15pm
Tuesday 17 September	P2 PE P1 PE P5/P6 Boys' Rugby P5/P6 Girls' Games	Breakfast Club 8:00am-8:45am After School 2:15pm-5:45pm Gardening Club P4-P7 3:15pm-4:00pm
Wednesday 18 September	P3/P4 Boys' Rugby P3/P4 Girls' Games	Breakfast Club 8:00am-8:45am After School 2:15pm-5:45pm AQE Club P7 3:15pm-4:15pm Tennis P2-P3 2:15pm - 3:15pm Tennis P4-P7 3:15pm - 4:15pm Clay Razy P2-P3 2:15pm - 3:15pm Clay Razy P4-P7 3:15pm - 4:15pm Kindergarden Cooks P2-P3 2:15pm- 3:15pm Kindergarden Cooks P4-P7 3:15pm-4:15pm

Thursday 19 September	P5 Swimming P3 PE P1 PE School Photos (winter uniform please)	Hockey P4-7 8:00am - 8:45am Breakfast Club 8:00am-8:45am After School 2:15pm-5:45pm FMS P3 2:15pm-3:00pm Netball P5-P7 3:15pm-4:00pm
Friday 20 September	P5 PE P4 PE P3 SALTO P2 PE Speech and Drama	Breakfast Club 8:00am-8:45am After School 2:15pm-5:45pm Choir P5-P7 3:15pm-4:00pm

### Stars Of The Week

Foundation Stage	Key Stage One	Key Stage Two
Pre-Prep: Evie Parr	P3: Aimee Johnston	P5: Daniel McGee
P1: Ben Picken	P4: Taliah Long	P6: Holly Trimble
P2: Raeyan Vachagan		P7: Mason Baisley

Well done to these 'Stars of the Week' from the last few weeks:



### Canteen - Week 4

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Vegetable Broth	Mushroom Soup	Cauliflower and Cheese Soup	Cream of Leek and Parsnip Soup	Soup of the Day
Pork and Leek Sausages or Chinese Chicken Breast	BBQ Pork Chops or Beef Casserole	Roasted Gammon and Parsley Sauce or Stuffed Roasted Chicken	Herb Baked Chicken in Breadcrumbs or Cottage Pie	Chicken Curry and Rice or Sausages and Beans
Oven Baked Potatoes	Criss Cross Potatoes	Creamed Potatoes	Roasted Potatoes	Baked Potato/Chips
Shortbread Biscuit	Rice Pudding and Strawberry Jam	Jelly and Ice Cream	Chocolate Bun	Chocolate Cracknel and Chocolate Sauce

### ParentMail

Thank you to those parents who have accepted the invitation to join ParentMail, our new communication system. This new platform, which we will begin using shortly, will be beneficial to you because you can:

- Use a free mobile app on Android and iOS to pick up school messages instantly.
- Have an account simply for school messages (away from your busy email inbox!)
- Connect to other schools (including our Grammar School), nurseries or clubs that use ParentMail.
- Highlight important messages or archive old messages to make life easier.
- Have messages/emails sent directly to mums, dads and carers – even grandparents!

If you are a parent of a child in P1-7 and did not receive a sign up link please email [prep@wallacehigh.net](mailto:prep@wallacehigh.net) and we will take a look into this for you. Pre-Prep sign up links will be going out shortly.

## **Pre-Prep 2020**

The school year may only just have begun but we are already looking at our new Pre-Prep intake for September 2020. If you have a child eligible to join us and have not already applied please contact [prep@wallacehigh.net](mailto:prep@wallacehigh.net). Those eligible are children who will turn 3 before 1 July 2020.

Applications for P1 will be requested at a later date.

## **Action MS Walk**

All pupils will be taking part in a Sponsored Walk around Moira Demesne on Thursday 26 September during the school day. Details to follow.

## **FMS**

Our after school Fundamental Movement Skills (FMS) club starts on Thursday 19 September from 2:15pm-3:00pm for P3 pupils (Term 1). Please note finishing time.

## **School Photographs**

Our school photographer will be in on Thursday 19 September. Pupils are asked to wear their winter uniform only on this day. If you have not already done so, please return your photograph slip indicating what photos, if any, you require. This will allow for a smooth photoshoot without any confusion.

As P5 are swimming on this date their photographs will be taken first, beginning at 8:15am.

All family photographs with grammar school siblings will be taken from 8:45am (P5 families from 8:15am)

Your photo reply slip is essential so please return this to school ASAP.

## **School Holidays - Change of Date**

Please note that the Education Authority have confirmed that the May Day holiday for schools will move from Monday 4 May to Friday 8 May 2020. This is to mark the 75th Anniversary of VE Day. Therefore school will now be open on Monday 4 May and closed on Friday 8 May 2020.

## Parking

Thank you again for your efforts in driving and parking safely and responsibly around our school. Please remember that Bellevue Manor is a private development and we kindly request parents neither block nor park in this development.

## Well Done

As always, we want to hear of all our children's achievements outside of school. If you would like to share your child's news please forward this to their class teacher or [prep@wallacehigh.net](mailto:prep@wallacehigh.net)

This week we are saying, 'Well Done,' to:



Nathan Spence (P6) who successfully passed his Grade 1 Piano.



Zach Webster (P7) who was recently crowned Northern Irish Club Gymnastics Champion after picking up gold medals in all of his pieces, an incredible 8 in total! A remarkable achievement!



Tristan Long (P7) who was also recently crowned Ulster U10 Champion at the Hardcourt Tennis Championships. Another brilliant sporting achievement.

Ben Bickerstaffe (P7) who has successfully gained a place in the Ulster Development Squad for Swimming.

## **Best Wishes**

We send our warmest congratulations to Miss Barr, Teacher of Primary 5, on her engagement this week.

## **PTA News and Dates**

26th September: Masterclass with Paula McIntyre (details to follow)

24th October: Pumpkin Party (details to follow)

16th November: Shopping trip to Dundrum Shopping Centre, Ireland

Our PTA are organising a Masterclass with award winning chef Paula McIntyre on Thursday 26 September from 7:30pm to 9:30pm. Wine and cheese will be served from 7:00pm in the Assembly Hall of the Grammar School. Tickets are £15 per person and available from Helen on 07768790017 or by emailing [pta@wallacehigh.net](mailto:pta@wallacehigh.net). Alternatively you can forward £15 to your child's teacher.

For more information on Paula McIntyre please click here: [Paula McIntyre](#)

Seats on the coach to Dundrum Shopping Centre on 16th November are very limited. If you wish to book a seat for £20 (or £40 to include return meal in The Plough) please email [pta@wallacehigh.net](mailto:pta@wallacehigh.net) ASAP.