

## MAY/JUNE 2017 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents & Friends

The penultimate month of the 2016/17 academic year and in school staff are making their final preparations to ensure the success of all events and activities planned. As you will be aware Theresa May has called a snap general election for Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2017. This means our school will be closed and used as a polling station on this day. School will reopen on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

Congratulations to Mrs Walsh who won the Northern Ireland ENTHUSE Award for Excellence in STEM teaching in a Primary School. We are very proud of her achievement and wish her every success in the National event which will be held at the Houses of Parliament in London in July 2017.

**Dates for your diary are as follows:-**

<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>EXAM WEEK</b>
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Year 5 Shared Education Bridge Building</b>
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Nursery Unit Sponsored Scoot 10 am</b>
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	<b>Year 5 Speedwell Drumming</b>
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Year 5 Celebration of Drumming 11am – Year 5 parents welcome</b>
	<b>Year 2 trip to Mellon Fun Farm</b>
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Nursery trip to Lurgybrack Farm</b>
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Nursery Graduation photograph</b>
<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED BANK HOLIDAY</b>
<b>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED DEVELOPMENT DAY</b>
	<b>Information morning at Kidzplay 9.30 am</b>
<b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 1 trip to Tropical World @ Alcorns</b>
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 7 Shared Education Orienteering</b>
	<b>Nursery Induction 2.30 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Sports Day 9.30 am</b>
	<b>Kidzplay Sponsored Toddle</b>
<b>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED GENERAL ELECTION</b>
<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 1 Induction 1.45 pm</b>
	<b>Year 6 Castlederg High School – Big School Day</b>
<b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Nursery Graduation 1.30 pm</b>
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Annual Bazaar 7 pm</b>
	<b>Year 7 Induction Day at Castlederg High School</b>
<b>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 6 trip to Ulster American Folk Park</b>
<b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 5 trip to Tayto Factory</b>
<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 3 trip to Lurgybrack Farm</b>
	<b>Year 4 trip to Ulster American Folk Park</b>
<b>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 7 Leaver’s Assembly 1.30 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 7 trip to Todd’s Leap</b>
<b>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSING 12 NOON</b>

The annual Summer Bazaar will take place on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June commencing at 7 pm. The theme this year will be “Twenty Years of World Book Day”. The fancy dress will be a character from your favourite book. This is our main fundraiser and you can support the event by donating items for our stalls and giving of your time to staff our stalls on the evening of the Bazaar.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Easter Raffle. We raised £865.

There are 25 pupils leaving Edwards this year and on behalf of all the staff and Governors I would like to take this opportunity to wish them every success for the future. I trust that in addition to reading, writing and arithmetic our highly skilled teachers and assistants at Edwards have gone beyond the pages of textbooks to teach our pupils about determination, aspiration, resilience and of course compassion. On behalf of the Board of Governors and staff at Edwards Primary School & Nursery Unit may I wish you and your families a relaxed, happy and safe summer vacation and thank you for all your dedication to education and support with school life throughout the 2016/17 academic year.

In appreciation and with kindest regards.

**E C Robinson**