



# Holywood News February 2020



## Important Message

### Medicines

Please do not send medicines into school in pupil school bags.

Please hand in medicines to the school office and complete a medical form.

We have a strict policy we have to follow to ensure pupils are safe.

### Report to the Office

All visitors should report to the school office.

This is particularly important if parents are collecting their child for an appointment.

Please help us to keep your child safe.

### Mobile Phones

Mobile phones should be handed in to the school office and collected at home time.

This is to ensure that we do not have pupils using social media or taking images of our pupils and community.

### Pupil Absence

Please ensure that you call the office if your child is going to be absent.

We cannot accept the word of a sibling.

This will ensure that we know your child is safe.

### Target Setting

**Thursday 5th March from 3.15pm.**

We will get appointments out before the February holiday for target setting.

Pupils and parents meet with staff to discuss and set new targets in learning.

### Afterschool Clubs

We now have afterschool groups up and running.



Knowing when the gym hall and class rooms are going to be available after school due to the heating works was holding things up.

We have booked the village hall on a Tuesday and a Thursday from 3pm—5pm for after the February holiday so that we can go ahead with planned clubs after school.

Football will go ahead as normal - adjustments may need to be made if the weather turns nasty and the hall is out of action.

Apologies for the uncertainty - we will get there!

### Scottish Opera

All P5-7 pupils are going to be working in partnership with Scottish Opera.

Pupils will be learning songs prior to the workshops with Cargenbridge and Shawhead schools in March.

*Parents will be invited to join the pupils on Friday March 27th for an afternoon performance of the Warriors! Opera.*

We'll get location and times out to you as soon as we can.

Please note parents can collect younger siblings from school to attend the performance too!

### February Holiday

**Reminder that pupils are on holiday from 17th February for a week.**

### Heating Update

The works are now underway with the team working on Phase 1—the kitchen, office, corridor, staffroom and toilets. This will involve running pipes and fitting radiators. This phase will be ongoing for up to the next two weeks.

Pupils have been introduced to the team of three from James Ramsay and have practised a fire drill with them. As always pupil safety and learning and teaching will be the priority during these long works.

Thank you to everyone for supporting the changes to drop off and collection—we appreciate all of your help with keeping our pupils safe as they travel to and from school.

We'll keep you updated—as always happy to answer any queries.

### Stop Motion Animations

Get on the Holywood Hullabaloo blog and check out the latest animations by the pupils.

Look out for Joe's Shark and Mena's flying bird.

The P3-5 Train is also brilliant. Leave a comment and let the pupils know what you think.

### Games Night

The Fundraising business group are organising a Games event on Thursday 13th February from 2.30 - 4.30pm.

Come along and play a selection of board games with other friends and families. Tea and a biscuit included in the price.

£1 entry per person is being charged.

