



KING'S PARK PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

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FINAL ASSEMBLY FOR OUR P7 PUPILS.

We want to wish all our Primary 7 pupils every success as they move on to Post Primary. Parents, Staff and P7 Pupils all enjoyed this afternoon's Leavers' Assembly in the Jethro Centre, when we celebrated the achievements of the children. Below is a list of our 2025/26 prize winners. They are a talented group of young people and we will miss them in King's Park. **ALL THE BEST!**



OUR 2025/26 AWARDS GO TO:

The Belvedere Cup for Music: Micah Towell and Mia Thomson

Mathematics Award: Charlie Doherty

English Award: Henry Magowan

Art & Design Cup: Harrison Simms

Special Endeavour Shield GIRLS: Matilda Fonseca

Special Endeavour Shield BOYS: Blake Stevenson

Spirit Of King's Park Award: Kesiah Gray and Chloe Gordon

The Chaudhry Family Shield for Kindness: Avery Carson

Best Sporting Achievement Cup GIRLS: Maisie Sutton and Emelia Hazley

Best Sporting Achievement Cup BOYS: Oliver Clarke

Football Award GIRLS: Darbi-Rose McNeice

Football Award BOYS: James Mussen and Jake Martin

The Morrow Cup: Girls Hockey: Masie Sutton, Mia Thompson and Emelia Hazley

Hockey Award BOYS: Ruric McGreevy

Netball Cup: Missy Forde

The Gibson Family Cross Country Plate: GIRLS: Emelia Hazley

The Gibson Family Cross Country Plate: BOYS: Mason Shields

Rugby Award: Jackson Taylor

Cricket Award: Mustafa Kashif

World Around Us: Elijah Hewitt

Resilience Cup: Zara Mawhinney and Micah Towell

Sports Recognition Awards: Henry Foster; Max Gordon, Autumn Parks

EARLY FINISH TIMES

- **Last day of term Tuesday 30th June. (There will be School dinners on this date and it is a non-uniform day). Children will leave at the following times:**

- Pupils with surnames from A-H will finish at 12.45 pm
- Pupils with surnames from I-O will finish at 12.55 pm
- Pupils with surnames from P-Z will finish at 1.00 pm
- **P7 children will leave at 1.05 pm via the P3 exit.**
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- **School re-opens on Thursday 27th August for Primary 2 – Primary 7 pupils. 27th and 28th August will be Transition Days. Pupils will leave at the following times:**

- Pupils with surnames from P-Z will finish at 12.15 pm
- Pupils with surnames from A-H will finish at 12.25 pm
- Pupils with surnames from I-O will finish at 12.35 pm
- *(If there are siblings with different surnames then the oldest pupil leaves first according to their surname and younger siblings may leave at the same time.)*
- **Nursery and Primary 1 – parents will be informed of your child's start date and start/finish times.**

SCHOOL DINNERS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

PLEASE REMEMBER YOU MUST RE-APPLY FOR YOUR FREE SCHOOL MEAL/SCHOOL UNIFORM ENTITLEMENT. PARENTS HAVE UNTIL THE **31st JULY** TO APPLY ONLINE. PLEASE GO TO <https://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals-uniform-grants>

APPLICATIONS CAN TAKE A WHILE TO PROCESS SO PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

UNIFORM SALE REMINDER

Emmanuel Church is holding a uniform sale on 1stth July and 2nd July. See attached flyer for details.

SCHOOL UNIFORM – REMINDER FOR NEXT YEAR

All P1-P7 children are expected to wear their full school uniform every day except for PE days when they may wear their school tracksuit.

They will also need a pair of black plimsolls for PE lessons in the Hall.

Uniforms can be purchased from:

Victor Stewart, Maxwells and SD Kells.

See school website for information.

PLEASE REMEMBER.

Earrings are not permitted in school for health and safety reasons. If your child is getting their ears pierced, please do this during the summer holidays so earrings can be removed when in school.

PLEASE NOTE: Hoodies are NOT part of the school uniform.



Winter uniform



Summer Uniform

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD'S NAME IS ON ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING.

King's Park is a Wellbeing School!

King's Park is now recognised by EA as a 'Being Well Doing Well School' which focuses on the emotional health and wellbeing of pupils and staff.

Miss Brown and Mrs Cowan (our Wellbeing Champion) attended an awards ceremony to receive our plaque which is now proudly on display in Reception.



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

Lurgan Park Show Winners

Well done to all of our Lurgan Park Show entrants. We had some wonderful exhibits of handwriting, cookery, arts and crafts. Congratulations to Nathaniel who won the trophy for the most overall points.



School Fete

Thank you to everyone who supported our School Fete at the beginning of June.

Congratulations to Caiden and Jasmine who won our sweetie jar and octopus!



Football

Terry Shields Mid Ulster Shield

This year's Terry Shields Mid Ulster Shield recently took place at King's Park Primary School, with support from Lurgan Town and Glenavon Ladies on the day.

The standard of football was extremely high, continuing to improve year on year! The tournament was a fantastic celebration of primary school football, with excellent sportsmanship and competitive matches throughout.

Past pupils Lydia and Mia were also present to showcase their NI U14 Cup which they won representing Lurgan Junior High School, providing further inspiration to all of the girls taking part.

Following a closely contested series of games, Armstrong PS were crowned winners of the Mid Ulster Shield. As Mr Shields is also a former principal of Armstrong, it was a fitting result in the final. The champions demonstrated outstanding team spirit and quality throughout the tournament.

Armstrong PS will now represent Mid Ulster at this year's Northern Ireland Finals. Congratulations to everyone who took part from King's Park PS and best of luck to Armstrong PS in the Finals.



A fantastic afternoon of football also took place when our neighbours from Waringstown PS brought two teams across to take on our three girls' teams.

The girls put in some excellent performances, showing great skill, teamwork and determination throughout the day. Congratulations to all of the players who represented the school so well, with special mention to our A and B teams who were undefeated.

A sincere thank you to Phil McKinley from Lurgan Town for his assistance on the day!



NI Runners-Up!

Congratulations to the girls' 5-a-side football team, who finished 2nd in the NI Finals, losing just one match throughout the competition. The girls have now qualified for this year's 7-a-side Finals at Allen Park, Antrim, on Monday. Good luck, girls!



Mid Ulster P6 Brownlow Cup.

Congratulations to the P6 football team on finishing top of their group and reaching the overall final. An end-to-end spectacle was decided by an unfortunate golden goal, Mr Shields was full of praise for their performance, the future is bright for this talented group of players!



Best Wishes

Mr Shields is taking a career break next year. We wish him best wishes for this new chapter within his career. You will be missed! We hope to see you back in September 2027!

Sports Day

What a fantastic few days of fun, teamwork and sporting success for our School's Sports Days! A huge congratulations to all children who took part and to parents who turned up to support. Every pupil showed enthusiasm, determination and sportsmanship throughout our events!

A special thanks to Mrs Thompson and Mr L Russell for organising such a successful and enjoyable few days.

Thank you also to staff and pupils who lent a helping hand to make events run smoothly.

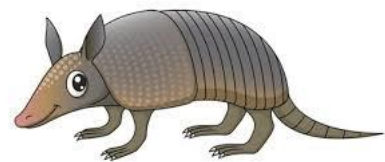


Wee Critters Visit P1

We were delighted to welcome 'Wee Critters' to our school for a fantastic hands-on learning experience.

Our pupils had the opportunity to meet and learn about a wonderful variety of creatures including insects, a toad, a cockroach, tarantula, armadillo and much more! The children showed great curiosity, bravery and kindness as they explored the animal kingdom up close, asking thoughtful questions and discovering fascinating facts about each creature.

A huge thank you to 'Wee Critters' for providing such an engaging and valuable learning experience! It was filled with excitement, discovery and smiles all round!



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Charity Day Success

We are absolutely delighted to share that, thanks to the generosity of our pupils, families and staff, we were able to make donations to a number of charities:

	£
REACH	2000
K9 Search & Rescue	1800
Craigavon Food Bank	850
Almost Home Animal Rescue	500
RNLI	400
Wings Appeal	400
Poppy Appeal	400
	£6350

These incredible charities make a real difference to the lives of so many people in our communities, and we are immensely proud to support the amazing work they do!

A huge thank you to our wonderful P2 teachers for organising our Mad Hair Day fundraiser!



Attendance and Kindness Awards

Well done to all of our pupils who received Kindness and 100% Attendance Awards. We celebrate kindness and good attendance!



Well done Mason!

Mason has once again been asked to represent Team Ireland at the upcoming Junior Worlds Championships at Jinin in the Czech Republic. Event Takes place on the 4th & 5th of July this year.



Little Princess Trust Donation



A massive well done to Mia in Primary 3 for raising £760 for donating her hair to the Little Princess Trust.

After learning that some children lose their hair through illness, Mia decided she wanted to help another child feel happy and confident again. How amazing!

Well done Mia for thinking of others and donating your hair! We are so proud of you.

BEST WISHES

Mrs Elliott is going off on maternity leave on Tuesday. We wish her good health and best wishes for the birth of her baby.

TEACHERS RETURNING

Welcome back Mrs Buckley and Mrs Stafford who will return from maternity leave on Monday 29th June.

FAREWELL AND THANK YOU!

On Tuesday we say a very fond farewell to Mrs Pamela Morrow, who will be retiring after almost 9 years working in our school office. She has been a highly regarded member of staff who is hardworking, dedicated and committed to the school, pupils and staff.

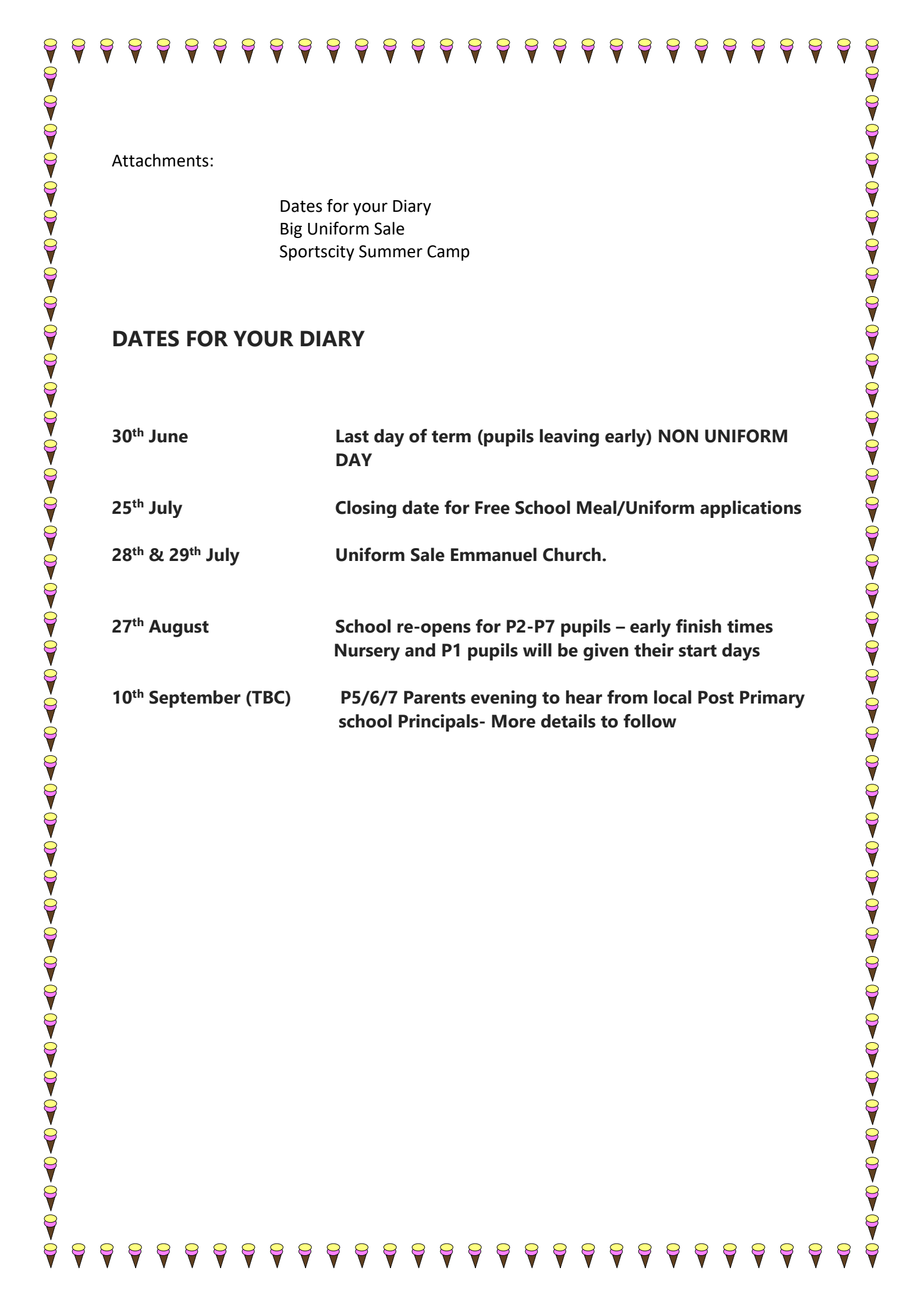
Pam, we will miss your enthusiasm, sense of humour and all-round capability. We wish you health and happiness as you begin this new chapter. THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING!! BEST WISHES FOR YOUR RETIREMENT!!



FROM THE GOVERNORS AND STAFF OF

KING'S PARK: WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU ALL A SAFE AND
RELAXING SUMMER HOLIDAY.





Attachments:

Dates for your Diary
Big Uniform Sale
Sportscity Summer Camp

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

30th June	Last day of term (pupils leaving early) NON UNIFORM DAY
25th July	Closing date for Free School Meal/Uniform applications
28th & 29th July	Uniform Sale Emmanuel Church.
27th August	School re-opens for P2-P7 pupils – early finish times Nursery and P1 pupils will be given their start days
10th September (TBC)	P5/6/7 Parents evening to hear from local Post Primary school Principals- More details to follow

BIG UNIFORM exchange

There is so much good uniform that hasn't been used much over the past couple of years but no longer fits. This past year has been hard for everyone so lets come together, donate our uniforms, help save the planet and raise money for great causes!

Donate to us

Drop your clean, branded uniform, that has still life in it, into school during the last week of June

Receive from us

Come along and get what you need for the start of next term at Emmanuel Church:

Wed 1st July
6.30pm - 8pm

Thurs 2nd July
10.30am - 12pm

items we are receiving

Polo Shirts, Tracksuits, Trousers,
Jumpers, Shirts, Skirts, Cardigans,
Dresses, Ties, Blazers & PE kits

All items £1

proceeds in support of
Freedom Foods



Emmanuel Church
23a Castle Lane,
BT67 9BD

SUMMER CAMP



King's Park Primary School



MULTI
SPORTS



DANCE

Monday 6th to Friday 10th July

Select 1 of the 2 camp options above

Open to Girls & Boys from all schools aged 5-12

10am to 2pm each day



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