



KING'S PARK PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

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IMPORTANT UPDATE:

School will be closed on **Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th March for Staff Training** and children will leave early on Wednesday 18th March for the 90th Celebration Event– see below. Children taking part in the event will remain in school.



Holiday Dates

March	16 th 17 th , 30 th & 31 st
April	1 st -10 th inclusive.
May	4 th , 22 nd & 25 th
June	30 th Last day of term

Early closing time on Friday 27th March 2026.
Times to be confirmed.

EARLY FINISH TIMES FOR WEDNESDAY 18TH MARCH

Pupils with surnames
from I-O will finish at –
1.15

Pupils with surnames
from P-Z will finish at –
1.20

Pupils with surnames
from A-H will finish at –
1.25

AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

Afterschool Clubs continue as follows:

Weeks beginning: 2nd and 9th March.



KIDZ PATCH Open Morning for both Playgroup and Afterschool facility will be on Saturday 14th March from 10.00 am to 11.00 am and application forms will be available from this date. See attached flyers for details.

NEXT LCU SAVINGS DATE TUESDAY 3RD MARCH 2026

Coming Up



  World Book Day 'Mystery Bag - Guess the Story' Activity  



To celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 5th March we are planning a 'Mystery Bag - Guess the Story' activity. Every child will be sent home with a 'Mystery Bag' next week. Children will choose 2-4 items as clues for their classmates. The aim is for the objects to represent important characters, settings, or events from the story they have chosen. The children will present their mystery bag to the class who will try to guess the story from the clues.

To help children develop a habit of reading for pleasure a £1 book token will be given to each child that can be used in participating bookshops.



What's Been Happening?

Children's Mental Health Week

Congratulations to all the children in King's Park for celebrating the themes 'What makes me smile?' and 'Come as Yourself'!

It was wonderful to see our children expressing what brings them joy and showing confidence in being proud of who they are.

Our non-uniform day was a great way to celebrate individuality, with everyone coming to school dressed in their favourite items! Not only that, but the children got to watch a movie and have a hot chocolate with marshmallows.

A special shout out goes to children who won their class competition for 'What makes me smile!'

We are so proud of all of our King's Park children and the thoughtful, creative and heartfelt entries you created! You made the judges' decisions very difficult!





Our school joined others nationwide to celebrate Safer Internet Day 2026, the largest global online safety campaign. This year's theme, 'Smart tech, safe choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI', focused on teaching children and young people the skills to use AI technology safely and responsibly, and highlights available support.

From voice assistants, to chatbots, to algorithms, AI technology is playing an increasingly large role in all our lives. It is important that we find time to discuss these tools and the impact they can have on our own and our families' online experiences, including:

- the news and content we see
- the way we work, including using AI for homework or studies
- the risk of misuse of AI, for example to create realistic scams or non-consensual images.

A key part of protecting children from online harm is through preventative education. By talking about this in school and at home, we can all work towards keeping children safe when they are online.

If you have any concerns or questions about keeping your child safe online, please do get in touch with your child's class teacher or Designated Child Protection Team.

Shrove (Pancake) Tuesday



— What a 'flipping' fantastic day we had celebrating Pancake Tuesday here at King's Park!

Our pupils enjoyed a delicious treat while learning about the traditions behind Shrove Tuesday. From flipping challenges to tasty toppings, there were smiles all round!

A big thank you to the wonderful staff who organised the delicious treat!



The Disposables



On Wednesday 18th February, Primary 6 and 7 enjoyed a production called The Disposables by Yellow Jumper Productions.

This was funded by the Arts Council NI and the theme was recycling, food waste and being responsible for your litter and the world around you, the planet and environment.

The show was fantastic and the children really enjoyed it!



PSNI Visit P3 & P4

The Mayor, Council and PSNI came to talk to Primary 4 about 'Anita STOP' and 'Luke LISTEN'!

We talked about making sensible choices when crossing the road, making sure to wear a helmet when we're on our bikes and scooters and wearing high visibility clothing when we're walking to and from school.

Please look out for Anita Stop and Luke Listen when you are parking in the Queen's Place Area.



Football



Well done to the 5-a-side football team on a strong performance at Friday's Mid Ulster Festival in Portadown, winning the majority of their matches. A fantastic start to the year as the season begins to gather momentum.



Boys' Hockey

[Congratulations](#) to the boy's hockey team who have qualified for the NI Finals!! A fantastic achievement!!

The boys had a brilliant tournament and played exceptionally well throughout the day, winning numerous matches against tough opposition.

The team was unlucky to lose the final 1-0 to a very strong Armstrong PS side.



Congratulations Madison!



Congratulations to Madison in P6 who has qualified with her ballet solo, modern trio and 5 groups with Portadown Dance College to represent Northern Ireland in the prestigious Dance World Cup 2026 in Dublin.



Portadown Speech Festival

Some of the children who participated in the Portadown Speech Festival. Well done to everyone who took part 🙌🙌🙌

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



3rd March	Lurgan Credit Union Savings date
5th March	World Book Day
12TH March	Last date for Lurgan Park Show entry forms to be returned
16th March	School closed – staff training day (Transform ED)
17th March	St Patrick’s Day – school closed
18th March	90th Celebration Event – early closing
27th March	End of Term
30th March -10th April	Easter Holidays – school closed
14th April	Lurgan Credit Union Savings date

ATTACHMENTS:

- Kidz Patch flyer
- Sportscity flyer
- Parent Line NI flyer

OPEN MORNING



SATURDAY 14TH MARCH
10.00AM TO 11.00AM

All prospective parents are welcome to come along & view our facilities.

SERVICES WE OFFER INCLUDE:

- ✓ **Breakfast & Afterschool Care**,
children are eligible to attend from P1.
- ✓ **Playgroup** for children aged 2 years 10 months.
- ✓ **School Holidays Full Day Care**
children can attend from the July before
entering into P1.



Further Information Contact Linda on 028 3834 5339
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EASTER CAMP

KING'S PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

MULTI-SPORTS

THIS PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE UP TO 3 SEPARATE ACTIVITIES EACH DAY AND MAY INCLUDE: FOOTBALL, DODGEBALL, ARCHERY, BASKETBALL, TAG RUGBY, ULTIMATE FRISBEE, GOLF, UNI-HOC AND MUCH, MUCH MORE



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4TH**



MONDAY 30TH MARCH TO THURSDAY 2ND APRIL



10AM - 2PM EACH DAY



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AGED BETWEEN 5 AND 12**



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Date

Parent Workshop



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children?

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Join our 3 week, practical parenting
programme to support you to build calmer,
more connected family relationships.

Online via Zoom, for three consecutive
Mondays starting 9th March, 7-8:30pm.

Call 0808 8020 400 to book your place.