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OAKFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Final Call for Nursery & Primary One Applications for 2020

As you know, the application process is predominantly online this year for children wishing to start at Oakfield Nursery Unit or Oakfield Primary One in **September 2020**. Places are filling up well.

A parental portal on the Education Authority website of www.eani.org.uk/admissions is currently available until **Thursday 30 January 2020 @ 12 Noon**. The school has access to paper copies of the application form for anyone encountering difficulties with the online application process.

N.B. Please do not hesitate in asking for assistance.

January Assessments 2020

Assessments are ongoing this week. Please ensure your child is getting quiet time and space to go over learning in preparation for these. Areas of good progress and those for future development will be highlighted at parent-teacher interview times.

School Uniform, Mobile Phones, Camera Watches & Medicines

We remind all parents to ensure pupils are adhering to our school uniform policy. Earrings should not be worn to school and children will be asked to remove them. Safe school shoes should be worn and not fashion boots/shoes or trainers. Children should not bring mobile phones to school or watches with camera facilities. Medicines should not be sent to school with children. Parents are requested to hand over medication to staff prior to the start of the school day as per Department of Education guidelines.

February Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/teacher interviews will take place for all pupils from **Monday 10 - Friday 14 February 2020 from 1.15pm - 3.30pm**. Both the Primary School and Nursery Unit will close at **1.00pm** to facilitate interviews. **Please list at least two preferences (1st , 2nd , 3rd , 4th , 5th) in the appropriate box to indicate which days you prefer for your parental interview with the class teacher.** If you have more than one child at the school, please indicate the other teachers' names below. Please return the reply slip to the class teacher by **Friday 31 January 2020**. Mr McCluskey will meet with parents of Primary Seven pupils between **Monday 27 - Friday 31 January 2020** to complete transfer to secondary education forms.

N.B. If your child attends sessions with Mrs Simpson, we are attempting to arrange an additional interview with Mrs Simpson for the same day as the interview with your child's class teacher.

Please note Mrs Simpson will be available Monday - Wednesday afternoons only.

Half-Term Holiday

Oakfield Primary School and Nursery Unit will be closed from **Monday 17 - Friday 21 February 2020** for the half-term holiday and will re-open at usual times on **Monday 24 February 2020**.

(Please turn over)



Interview Reply Slip

Child's Name: _____

Other teacher 1 _____

Other teacher 2 _____

Other teacher 3 _____

Monday 10 February 2020: 1.15pm - 3.30pm

Tuesday 11 February 2020: 1.15pm - 3.30pm

Wednesday 12 February 2020: 1.15pm - 3.30pm

Thursday 13 February 2020: 1.15pm - 3.30pm

Friday 14 February 2020: 1.15pm - 3.30pm

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Oakfield PS Nursery Unit events

- ☐ **Friday 7 February 2020** - 'Getting Ready to Learn' information session for parents @ 1.15pm.
- ☐ **Monday 10 February 2020** - Monkstown dental practice will be visiting nursery to talk to the children about the importance of good dental hygiene.
- ☐ **Monday 10 - Friday 14 February 2020** - Parent / Teacher Interviews
Nursery will finish at **1pm** on these days (door open from 12.50pm).
Please allow extra time for your journey as the whole school will be finishing at this time and the car park will be much busier than usual.
- ☐ **Monday 17 - Friday 21 February 2020 inclusive** - Oakfield Primary School and Nursery Unit will be closed for half-term holiday and will reopen on **Monday 24 February 2020** at normal times.
- ☐ **Thursday 27 February 2020** - come along and join us for 'Rhythm and Rhyme' with Gillian from the local library. **10am for Mrs Baker/Keaveney's class and 10.30am for Mrs Wylie's class.**
- ☐ **Friday 28 February** - 'PJ Day'. To celebrate the 'Big Bedtime Read', children are asked to come in their pyjamas. Grown-ups are invited at **1:15 for Stay and play- 'Big Bedtime Read' session.**

After School Clubs

Our after schools programme is now up and running again. All clubs are full! Please check our website for the dates of the 9 weeks when all clubs will be on. We are indebted to our teaching staff who continue to offer this wide range of after school provision.

Save The Date

Safer Internet Day 2020 (SID 2020) will be celebrated globally on **Tuesday 11 February 2020**. We intend to celebrate it 'in style' on that morning with a selection of prepared assemblies involving children from Oakfield Primary School and Acorn Integrated Primary School. The theme is 'Free to be me..' which explores online identity. Parents and friends from both schools will be invited to attend sessions at Oakfield Primary School, so please make a note of this date in your diaries. More information will follow in the coming days! Plan to be there. **# 11.2.20**

G. McCluskey

(School Information for Parents : Oakfield Designated Teacher for Child Protection - Miss L. Gilmour)