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OAKFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY UNIT

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'Engage programme'

As mentioned in our last newsletter, we are delighted to have secured additional funding from DE to take part in the new 'Engage' programme. The main aim of the programme is to tackle any long-term impact of the Covid-19 lockdown. This programme will sit alongside and complement the valuable work done by our Special Educational Needs Support teacher, Mrs Simpson. We are delighted to announce that Mrs Karen Conroy has joined our teaching staff as an additional teacher to support classes in Literacy, Numeracy and mental health & well-being. We look forward to sharing this great work via Seesaw, our website and facebook.

Virtual tour of Oakfield PS & NU

Following DE guidance, we will be unable to provide actual walk-around tours of our school this year in advance of the Pre-school (Nursery Unit) and Primary One admissions process in January 2021. We are, however, in the middle of producing a virtual tour of Oakfield Primary School and Nursery Unit which should be available to view at the beginning of December 2020. Mr McCluskey is also available to answer any queries directly on 02893351352 or by emailing gmccluskey739@c2kni.net.

Gruffalo Trail

Premiering December 2020 - Stay home, stay safe and play session - 'The Gruffalo Trail'

Especially for our Nursery Unit boys and girls and any other pre-school children who would like to participate. You will have the opportunity to embark on a virtual tour around our school and hear a little about life in Oakfield Primary School. Anyone not currently attending OPSNU, who is interested in hearing about and seeing around our school with the Gruffalo Trail, can obtain access to the link and packs needed to participate by phoning our Nursery Unit on 0289393369812 or Mrs Craig in our school office on 02893351352.

There will be prizes for the children who complete the virtual trail!

School Christmas Dinner

We look forward to our School Christmas Dinner on **Wednesday 9 December 2020.** Children are welcome to wear their Christmas jumper or Christmas hat to Christmas dinner. **Mr McCluskey will have both on!**

Oakfield Virtual Christmas Day

We would like to have a very special day on **Friday 11 December 2020.** It is going to be the Oakfield Virtual Christmas Day and would invite our boys and girls to come to school dressed in their favourite Christmas outfit. We have lots of fun Christmas activities planned for the day and will share some of this with our parents via Seesaw. More details to follow.

School bags

Following many parental requests and in consultation with staff & EA, we're pleased to announce that your child may bring a school bag to school if you feel this would be useful.

Continuing guidance on School Covid-19 measures

Please find below a list of measures that we would ask all the member of our school community to continue to adhere to.

- 1. Any pupil who exhibits symptoms associated with COVID-19 should **not** attend school.
- **2.** If anyone becomes unwell with Covid19 symptoms in school, they must be isolated and sent home immediately, alongside any family members also in school.
- **3.** If any child is absent from school for any reason, the school will need to be informed of the reason for their absence before they can be readmitted to school.
- 4. No parents/guardians will be permitted inside our school building at this time.
- **5.** Parents/guardians leaving off and collecting children should remain socially distanced.
- Parents/Guardians should wear face coverings while on our school premises.

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