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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back after our half term break. As we make our way through to Easter the term ahead is a busy one. There is a lot happening in school over the next few weeks for various different year groups; therefore, to keep you well informed you will find attached a table of dates and events for your own reference. More detailed information on some of these events will be sent out nearer the time.

### Dance Sessions

Can I just remind you of the after school dance sessions which are being offered to all pupils from P1-P7. These begin Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February and run for 5 weeks at the cost of £2 per pupil. It is not too late to return the reply slip if you are planning to attend.

### Attendance

The school continue to closely monitor attendance on a monthly basis. I want to remind you of the legal requirement of parents/guardians to provide a written note of explanation for all school absences. This should be sent to the class teacher on the first day your child returns to school. An Education Welfare Officer attends the school regularly to check attendance records and parents/guardians, whose children's attendance is giving cause for concern, will receive a phone call/letters from the school. We continue to try to encourage good attendance within school by having monthly raffle draws and prizes, we continue to give out a class attendance cup and rewards to the best attending class each month. Our attendance slogan created by Jasmine Hayes, P6 reminds us to be "Attendance Heros"

**Here Everyday Ready On Time!**



## Dates for February/March 2018

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Class</u>
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	School Nurse Visit <b>(Parent forms to be returned by tomorrow)</b>	P1
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>After School Dance Class</b> 5 weeks – 27 <sup>th</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> , 13 <sup>th</sup> , 27 <sup>th</sup> March and 17 <sup>th</sup> April	P1-3 2pm -3pm P4-7 3pm – 4pm
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> – Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> March 3 days	<b>National Cycle Training</b> (Information letter already received)	P6/7
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Primary School Fun Challenge</b> (Held at Ballymena North 10am – 1pm)	P6/7
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Rescheduled INNOV8 Challenge</b> 9am – 12.30pm At Cullybackey College	P7
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> March Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Parent Interviews</b> <u>All</u> children to go home at 1pm	P1 – P7
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	<b>Building Confidence in Learning</b> P3/4/5 Parent Information Session 2.40pm approx 15mins	P3/4/5
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	<b>Building Confidence in Learning</b> P1/2 Parent Information Session 1.40pm approx. 15mins	P1/2
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Building Confidence in Learning</b> P6/7 Parent Information Session 2.40pm approx 15mins	P6/7
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Easter Service</b> Held in Ballyloughan Pres Church 10am	P1 – P7 All Parents/family/ friends welcome
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>School Finishes for Easter</b> All pupils to go home 12pm Non-uniform £1 per pupil	P1 – P7