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2020 February # 3 WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Up-coming news and events for the week ahead

Intergenerational Parliament: Some of our P7 pupils along with Mrs Halliday represented our school today at an Intergenerational Parliament held in Linn Road Community Centre. The day was made up of fun interactive debates to resolve issues and to teach one another about each other's generation and share stories & experiences.

School Assembly: On Wednesday we had Rachel Harger in from Scouts NI to share with us a little of what Scouts is about. Anyone interested in finding out more please contact school for an information leaflet.

World Book Day: The school will once again join in with celebrating World Book Day on Thursday, 5th March. We encourage pupils to come dressed as a book character (or fancy dress).

"Extreme" Reading Challenge: In the run up to World Book Day we are setting an "Extreme Reading Challenge" for the pupils. The idea is that you take a photo of your child reading in an unusual/extreme place and send it to the class teacher via the Seesaw app. There will be prizes for the best photo in each class & we will display some of the photos in the school corridor.

Brain Break Space for Learning Evening: Thank you to those who have already replied to this. On Thursday 5_{th} March from 7.00pm - 9.00pm approximately, Jennifer (a trained mindfulness & meditation coach) will help us look at ways in which we can support our children and young people's emotional health & wellbeing in ways such as

- Helping children talk about how they feel
- Suggested coping skills to manage big emotions
- What is mindfulness?
- How can these ideas & skills be incorporated at home?
- Recipe for Self-care

Tea and coffee will be provided and a donation plate will be available on the evening to help cover the cost. Please fill out the attached slip to register your interest.

Larne Grammar Quiz Night: Larne Grammar are holding a quiz night in Larne Tennis & Bowling Club on Thursday 5th March 7.30pm. The charge is £3.00 per person and all proceeds will go to Larne Grammar School.

Easter Holiday Scheme: This is being run in various leisure centres on 15th to 17th April from 10am to 3pm for children aged 6-14. For more information visit www.midandeastantrim.gov.uk/activities

Mothers' Day Shop: The P.T.A. would be grateful if each family would make a donation of a gift suitable to stock their shop on Thursday 19th March. This can be either a new or unwanted, unused good quality item. Please send into school from week beginning 9th March.

Pupils will have the opportunity to buy a gift from the shop for £2.00 and have it wrapped and sent home in time for Mothers' Day on Sunday 22_{nd} March.

Antrim Coast Half Marathon: The rebranded Larne Half Marathon will be taking place on Saturday 21st March at 11.00am. This year Larne Athletic Club have secured the attendance of several leading UK and Irish athletes and they would like local primary schools to become involved by creating a competition for "Best Supporting School". This involves each supporting school being positioned at an "energy point" along the race route and randomly allocated an athlete or Home Nation to support. You will encourage your athlete or Home Nation as they pass as well as the hundreds of local runners. The best supporting school will be judged by a local dignitary and the winning school will be awarded £300. Each participating school will also have the opportunity to meet the athletes or Home Nation representative at the Inver Park in the afternoon. As a school we feel this is a very worthwhile cause to support and think that it is a great opportunity for our young people to be inspired by these athletes that they see competing on TV in far off places. Please fill in the attached form to register your interest. Each child attending MUST be accompanied by an adult.

marathon along with -----(child's name) -----

I -----would like to attend the Antrim Coast

"Robin & the Sherwood Hoodies": This is the school play that is being performed by