



Term 1 2016/17

The Knocknagin News

Issue 3

Important dates for your

14th June- Joint Sports Day
9.45am @Desertmartin Soccer Pitch
15th June - New P.I Induction Day
17th June - BBQ fun Night 6.30pm
17th June - Mini Golf - All Day
21st June -Shared Ed Soccer
9.45am @Desertmartin soccer pitch
23rd June -School Closed
30th June - Half Day

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WIN AN IPAD MINI
BY COMPLETING OUR

MINI GOLF CHALLENGE

IN THE SCHOOL GARDEN ON **FRIDAY 17TH JUNE**
BETWEEN 9AM - 8PM
£5 ENTRY

ALL COMPETITORS WILL BE ENTERED INTO A DRAW TO WIN A 16GB IPAD MINI

ANNUAL FUN EVENING

BOUNCY SLIDES BBQ FACE + MUCH MORE
GAMES PAINTING

FRIDAY 17TH JUNE - EVERYONE WELCOME
BBQ FROM 6.30PM - IPAD DRAW 8.30PM APPROX

Term 3 After School Clubs proved a great success for all children P.1-7! Thanks to all the staff who organised, planned and delivered the sessions! Roll on next year when more activities will be available to every child in school.



School Council

Well done to the school council who recently organised a fair trade cake sale to buy stationery for a new school in Zambia. The cake sale raised £270 and the stationery arrived last week. It will now be packed into suitcases and make its way to Zambia in July. We will hopefully have photos of the stationery being presented to the schools. Thank-you to everyone who contributed in any way.

Trip to salmon fishery with DPS

We had a wonderful trip to Bushmills Salmon Fishery recently to learn about the breeding of salmon. We got to see the longest waterfall in NI as well. The trip was a conclusion to our salmon in the classroom project with Sperrins Gateway. See more pics on our Twitter feed & website.



Fairtrade Fortnight

Recently we held a successful Fair-trade Fortnight, during which all of the children took four lessons learning about equality, fairness and the benefits of buying fair trade products. Look out for the fair-trade symbol when shopping as buying Fairtrade makes a real difference!



Questionnaires: At some stage throughout this academic year all the children, parents, governors and staff of Knocknagin P.S have completed a questionnaire related to our school. Over the coming weeks, we will be analysing all responses to inform the school development plan. We have received excellent ideas on how to make our school better and we will endeavour to evolve and develop to meet the needs of our entire school community.

Accelerated Reader

Well done to our Term 2 AR 100% club prize winners. All children from P3-7 received a certificate this term to recognise the effort and progress they have made since September. Please keep up the great work. The next 100% club draw is on Friday 17th June.



Don't forget to check up on our website www.knocknagin.com for news updates plus we are now on Twitter which is quick and easy for sharing pictures and videos! Follow us on @knocknagins

Shared Education

Our work with Desertmartin P.S continues to go from strength to strength. Thanks to all at DPS who contributed to our Fairtrade cake sale. We have a joint sports day this year and our first Joint football team! Keep an eye on our website and Twitter account for pictures of both events. We have also secured funding to continue and develop our current Literacy project. More info in September.

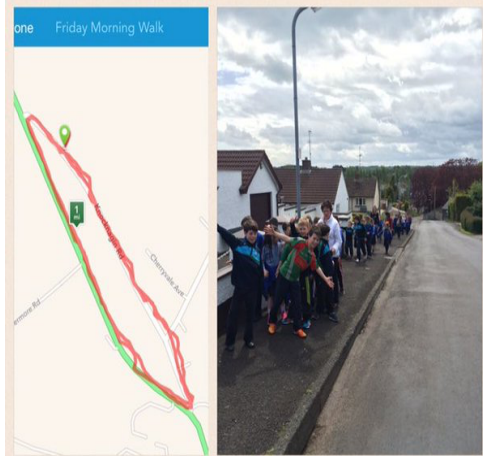
The Education and Training Inspectorate paid our partnership a visit in March to assess the quality of our work. They were very impressed and gave the children high praise. As a mark of their satisfaction our partnership has been asked to produce a case study for others to learn from. This is a great reflection of our community.



Animal Antics: Did you know? -Cats use their whiskers to check whether a space is too small for them to fit through or not.

Walk to School Week

Walk to School week was a great success at KPS. Despite the poor weather for much of the week many children walked/cycled all or some of the way throughout the week. On the Friday the whole school did a 1.64 mile walk as shown in the picture and screen shot from the 'Runkeeper' app.



Our end of year trips have all taken place and safe to say all children and staff had a fantastic time. Our children had great fun and what is more pleasing, each group received high praise for their behaviour.



New Kit & Goalposts!

Many thanks to Desertmartin Credit Union for sponsoring new sports kits for the children and to Kidsview After Schools club for purchasing goalposts for everyone's use. The children have already got great use out of both.



Have a look at this coaching tips info graph for anyone involved with helping out at our local sports clubs.

