



Recarson PS



EXTREME WEATHER (Hopefully not!)

In the event of a disruption to school caused by extreme weather (such as heavy snowfall) the prime concern of our school will always be the **health and safety of the pupils, parents and staff**. In keeping with our school policy, the decision to close the school will be made **before 8.30am** (where possible) and, if necessary, will be made **the night before** with an aim of providing working parents with more time to find alternative and suitable supervision for children.

PLEASE NOTE: When a decision has been made to close the school, the announcement will be made as follows:
 1. Firstly, by **text message** directly to parents using the school's messaging service (to mobile numbers previously provided by parents).
 2. Secondly, **on the BBC News Website and Radio Ulster**. Parents should be aware that these BBC services require email confirmation directly from the school which includes a validation code and so, once announced, this can be taken as a formal school closure. However, it does take some time for the BBC website to be updated. **During severe weather, parents and staff should always check these sources before travelling to school.**

Welcome
Back to
Term 2!



Happy New Year and welcome back everyone to a new term! Hopefully you have had an enjoyable Christmas break. I know Santa will have visited you all!

Boys and girls, there are approximately twelve weeks of school this term so let's keep up the very hard work, make sure we continue to do our best and make the most of every moment!

On behalf of all staff, sincere thanks to parents for their kind words of thanks, thoughtful cards and lovely gifts at Christmas.



Your kindness is very much appreciated by all staff.

Jack and The Beanstalk Panto



All pupils and staff will visit the Strule Arts Centre, Omagh on Thursday 26th January to see a

performance of 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. The cost of this will be **£5 per pupil**. Pupils will be required to wear their school uniform and bring a small snack with them. Buses will be leaving at 9.15am sharp, so please ensure children are in school as early as possible. We will be returning to school in time for dinner.

Home School Links

All pupils (P3-P7) will now receive an additional 5 high frequency words with their weekly spellings. It is important children learn to spell these words correctly. Teachers are also currently updating ideas to help develop your child's Numeracy Skills. Please ensure you go over the spellings and maths ideas with your child each week.

SAFETY

Parents going to the P1&2 Classroom **must** use the main pupil entrance for health and safety reasons. Thank you.



Fundraising Success!

The 'Christmas Hamper' fundraiser was a wonderful success raising a magnificent total of **£1,106.10!** Sincere thanks to all parents, extended family and friends who contributed items and purchased tickets and thanks, too, to all members of the Parent Support Group for giving valuable time to organising this terrific event.



Attendance

Recarson PS continues to have one of the highest whole school attendance rates of any primary school. This is a wonderful achievement and, more importantly, ensures consistency for pupils in terms of their learning with 'no' or 'few days' missed.

KEEP UP THIS EXCELLENT RECORD!

Please see attached flyer from DENI on the importance of a maintaining a high level of attendance.

What's happening this month in Recarson?

- ◆ **Feis Thir Eoghain 2017** registration opens for any pupils wishing to enter.
- ◆ **Wednesday 11th January 2017 at 12.00 noon** is the closing date for Application Forms for entry into Primary 1 in September 2017.
- ◆ Two teams Primary 7 will represent the school in the **Allianz CnmB Tir Eoghain Indoor Hurling and Camogie Competition on Monday 16th January 2017**
- ◆ **'Catholic Schools Week'** runs in the last week of January.
- ◆ **Thursday 26th January 2017:** Whole school trip to Strule Arts Centre to see 'Jack and the Beanstalk'.

After School Clubs: Pupils will be notified of the details of the After-School Clubs being offered this term over the coming weeks.

Updated Website: The School website, www.recarsonps.com is updated regularly. There is also a Calendar keeping parents informed of what's happening at Recarson PS. Please have a look!

Congratulations to all December Award Winners!



P1: Cael, Kyla and Viktoriya



P2: Emma, DJ and Tilly



P3: Sean, Kayleigh and Daniel



P4: Ellie, Peadar and Taegan



P5: Ronan, Karla and Harry



P6: Ciaran, Saoirse and Niall.



P7: Mairead, Mollie and Shauna

The Parent's Support Group plan to run the 'Cash for Clobber Clothes Collection' at the end of March 2017! Please remember to keep all unwanted clothes, shoes, bed linen, until the collection date. More details will follow next month!



www.cashforclobber.com

More school news from Recarson PS next month!