



# Mitchell House School Newsletter

From school to home, keeping you informed.  
April 2018



## IMPORTANT

Reminder about Education Authority consultation (letters sent before Easter). **Wednesday 25 April at 10.00am or 7.00pm** (you only need to attend one). We are providing supervision for our pupils (not siblings) during the 7.00pm session.

Places must be booked in advance by emailing [mdonnan748@c2kni.net](mailto:mdonnan748@c2kni.net) or telephoning school on 028 9076 0292.

## Important Dates

- 25 April – Consultation events see note opposite.
- 26 April – Big Breakfast (£2 donation) see note.

## Welcome Back

We were delighted to welcome Miss Allen and Miss Ryan back from maternity leave in March.

Miss Allen is Form teacher for the Wildcats and teaches in Post Primary Monday to Friday. Miss Ryan teaches in the Nursery on a Monday and with the Hawks on a Thursday and Friday.

## Charities

The pupils had a 'wear red' day for Sport Relief and raised £59.50. Well done! Staff had a coffee morning in March to raise money for Drake music and we raised £92.47. Drake music has been coming into school weekly to work with a small group of pupils.

## Healthy Break

Healthy break payment of £12.00, for Term 3, is now due. Please send the cash into school asap in a clearly labelled envelope.

Thank you to everyone who has already sent it in!

## Huge Thank you

Many thanks to everyone who has donated items for the Sensory Garden. We still need more items from the list, if you have items to donate or would like more information please contact Mrs Watson [jwatson808@c2kni.net](mailto:jwatson808@c2kni.net).

## Nut Free School

Please remember that we are a Nut Free school, this includes items containing nuts e.g. Nutella, peanut butter.

## Shared Education

Class 5 will be involved in a project with St Joseph's Primary in Ballyhackamore this term, watch out for more details!

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## Update from the Eagles

Here are some of the things the Eagles have been up to:

- The Eagles have been busy in class researching and learning about “product design” both globally and nationally. We have been looking at famous inventors, engineers and designers, male and female, their inventions and some “cool inventions” for the future.
- We have also been looking at some local NI designers and producers and will be investigating the production processes at Tayto and Coca Cola on our class visits.
- The Eagles have been flying their kites too after designing and making their own superhero kites at an in school kite workshop.
- As part of our Financial Capability and our money unit in using maths, we ran our “Eagle Enterprises” mini company gathering up unwanted Christmas presents and making our own gifts to sell at a Mother’s Day and Easter Sale.
- For St Patrick’s Day and to raise funds for our mini enterprise we made and sold some tasty Irish stew and traditional soda bread in Home Economics.
- In Personal Development we have been taking part in the Shine All Stars Bright Futures program in conjunction with Barnardos.
- For RE we have been studying St Brigid and St Patrick and their role in promoting Christianity in Ireland, lent and important dates/events at Easter.
- For Literacy Geography, History and Cultural Awareness we have studied The Chinese New Year, Burns Day, Winter Olympics, Special Winter Olympics Pancake Tuesday and World Book Day
- We have been developing our creative writing skills at the Fighting Words Belfast workshop on a recent visit to the Skainos Centre creating our story entitled “The Inventors of Spooky Cinema Powers”

## Wing Walk

Thank you – we have raised over £2,200 so far!

We are very grateful to one of our parents (Mr Mayne) for volunteering to do a Wing Walk, at his own expense, on Sunday 13 May to raise money for our school.

On 26 April pupils will be invited to a Big Breakfast in school to raise money for the Wing Walk. Suggested donation of £2 per pupil.

## Dolphins news

- The Dolphins were very sorry to say goodbye to our friend and classmate, Adam Patton. We are looking forward to keeping in touch with Adam in his new school and to hearing all about this new chapter in his life.
- We continue to rehearse for our drumming performance at Ashfield boys school. Our drumming tutor, Thomas from Ghana, is very impressed with their contribution.
- We are excited about studying Media and advertising throughout this term in all subject areas. We really enjoyed our topic last term, ‘Kings, Queens and Castles’, where we compared the reign of Queen Elizabeth the first with the times of Queen Elizabeth the second.

## Titans

The Titans had a great week of work experience. They went to a number of venues. The pupils had the opportunity to explore a variety of interesting careers. One pupil visited the city airport, another went to a car dealership and others did office work. All the students found this to be a valuable learning experience.

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