



### HALF TERM HOLIDAY

School will be closed  
Tuesday 14 – Friday 17  
February 2023 inclusive.

### P6 & P7 Secondary School Open Nights 2023

Magherafelt High School  
Wednesday 4 January  
2023 @ 7pm

### Rainey School Magherafelt Thursday 19 January 2023

Online Booking will be  
available for Rainey  
Endowed from 10am on  
Thur 5 Jan 2023 and  
closes at midnight Thur 12  
Jan 2023. All parents must  
book a time to visit Rainey.

### Sperrin Integrated College Wed 18 Jan and Thurs 19 Jan 2023 3.30-7.30pm both dates.

**Please telephone the  
secondary schools or visit their  
websites for more information.**

### COMPETITION SUCCESS

P6 pupils were delighted to  
hear that they had won an  
art competition organised  
by Henry Brothers Ltd. In  
June 2022 they entered the  
competition to design an  
awning for Henrys' building  
site on Rainey Street,  
Magherafelt. We were so  
happy to receive a new iPad  
and Chromebook as a prize  
for school. Check out the  
website for more photos  
and info.

We wish all our families a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful  
new year. Thank you all for your support over Term 1.

## IMPORTANT DATES

5 Jan	New Term commences including Early Bird Club
9 Jan	After School Clubs P4-7 commence
10 Jan	P6 & P7 Puberty Talk with 'Love for Life'
10 Jan	Healthy Kidz in for weekly PE lessons for P1-4 during school & 123 club
10 Jan	P1 Portal opens for Online applications/Guitar lessons re-commence
11 Jan	Well-being Wednesday Activities
11 Jan	P6 & P7 Swimming lessons start for 11 weeks £30.50
17 Jan	NI Water Assembly Talk for P4-7 pupils@ 9.35am
20 Jan	Mr Hullabaloo 'Winter Wonderland' Show P1&2 and pre school families
23 Jan	Kindness Week – Tokens will be given out for acts of kindness in school
27 Jan	12 noon Deadline for P1 Applications online

Please keep visiting our school website for all our latest news and to check  
our school calendar for dates.

### Christmas Concerts 2022

I trust that our families enjoyed the Christmas Concerts as much as we  
enjoyed performing for you all. It was great to get the opportunity to welcome  
everyone back into school and enjoy a live concert after two years of COVID  
restrictions. The children were fantastic and demonstrated excellent singing  
and acting skills. I want to formally congratulate each child who participated  
and thank the staff of Woods PS for all their dedication in preparing the pupils  
for the shows. Check out more photos of the concerts on the school website.



We raised a wonderful £710 for school funds and £710 for NI Cancer Fund for  
Children from the proceeds of our Christmas Concerts. This is wonderful  
fundraising. The school funds will be used to help purchase new ICT equipment  
for our school as many of our current PCs need updated.

### Intergenerational Art Project 22-23

Our P7 Class have completed a Dementia Awareness Course with Lynne from  
Connecting Generations. To follow on with this work we plan to complete an Art  
Project with the residents of Ballyronan Care Home in Term 2. The children  
are learning how to relate to all ages of people and have kindly made Christmas  
cards for the residents of the Marina Care Home.



### SNACK

Jan £5.70

### HEADLICE

Please check your child's head for head lice. Early detection and treatment is key to reducing the spread.

January 2023 Dinner Menu is on our school website.



### Period Dignity and Menstrual Wellbeing

Please be aware that we make available free sanitary products in school for girls who need them. This is a DE initiative to help break the stigma surrounding periods and tackle period poverty. The Period products are available in the adult disabled toilets, from office staff or from each classroom teacher in school. If your child starts to have a period, please do make Mrs White or Mrs Milliken aware so that we can support your child as required.

## After School Clubs Term 2 January- February 2023 (5-week block)

Monday	9 Jan	P5-7 HOCKEY	FREE
Tuesday	10 Jan	P4-6 Healthy Kidz(PE activities)	£10
Wednesday	11 Jan	P4-7 IFA Football Coach	£7.50
Thursday	12 Jan	P5-7 Netball with Lisa	£10

PLEASE NOTE THAT CHILDREN PARTICIPATING IN HOCKEY MUST HAVE SHIN GUARDS AND MOUTH GUARDS. SCHOOL HAS HOCKEY STICKS THAT CAN BE BORROWED, IF NEEDED.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CHILDREN WILL BE TRAINING FOR TOURNAMENTS THAT WILL TAKE PLACE IN MARCH 2023.

### P1 Admissions

Online applications can be made for a place in P1 in September 2023. Click on the link below:-

<https://www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions/applying-for-a-school-place>

Applications should be made before 12 noon on 27 January 2023. If you need assistance with this process, please telephone the school (02879418415)



### Special Invitation to all prospective P1 families

Please join us for a special afternoon with Mr Hullabaloo

At WOODS PS

On FRIDAY 20 January 2023

At 1.45-2.45pm

Please email school on [info@woods.magherafelt.ni.sch.uk](mailto:info@woods.magherafelt.ni.sch.uk)

to reserve free seats at the show.