



31 Longland Road, Donemana Tel 71398633



January 2016



**HAPPY NEW YEAR
FROM ALL THE
PUPILS AND STAFF
AT D.P.S!**

DATES FOR DIARY

- 7th Rev. Stockitt
Assembly
- P7 talks from Strabane
Academy and Foyle
College
- 8th Key Stage 1 and 2
Football
- Sport 4 Life (P4/5)
- 12th Spanish
- 13th All P1 applications in
by 12 noon
- Scripture Union for 6
weeks
- 14th Assembly
- 15th KS1 & 2 Football
- Sport 4 life (P4/5)
- 18th Dan the Skipping Man,
Ropes also available to
purchase on the day in
school (Priced £6).
- Voting for School Council.
- 19th Spanish
- Sponsored hair cut for
Miss Connor
- School Council Announced
- 21st CEF Assembly
- 22nd KS1 & 2 Football
- Sport for life (P4/5)
- 26th Spanish
- 28th Pupil of the Month
Assembly
- 29th KS1 & 2 Football
- Sports for life (P4/5)

PRIMARY 1 ENTRY

The parents of children starting Year 1 in September **MUST** complete their application form by noon on the 13th January 2016. If friends or family wish to visit the school, please encourage them to do so.

Dan the Skipping Man

We are looking forward to our skipping coach coming on Monday 18th January. The coach will be taking all of the children at some stage during the day and ropes will also be available to purchase for £6 from the coach or from the office up until the 21st January. The children can continue to learn at: <http://www.youtube.com/dantheskippingman>.

YEAR 7 AQE TEST

The results of the AQE test will be issued on

Saturday 30th January.

COATS

As we encourage our children to exercise at break time, it is important that each child comes to school with a **clearly named** coat.



A Note from Mrs Amor

May I thank you all for all your support for our Supper with Santa Night and our Christmas show. The children were all fantastic and we hope you enjoyed it. We are now in a new term and everybody is working very hard. We would like to welcome Miss Savory to P2. We hope she really enjoys her time with us. I will be carrying out P7 interviews at the start of February. If your date does not suit please contact Miss Browne in the office to arrange an alternative. As you know I am in school on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursday mornings. In my absence Mr Potts has taken on the role of Senior Teacher in charge. Mr Potts and Miss Connor are the two designated teachers for any Child Protection issues.

Many thanks
D. Amor

SPRING TERM

This term runs from:

7th January—23rd March
(half day). School will also be closed on **Mon 15th** and **Tues 16th Feb** and **Thurs 17th** and **Fri 18th March**.



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Sponsored Haircut

On Tues the 19th January we have a very exciting event happening in our school.

Miss Connor is going to cut off

10 inches of her hair to donate to The Little Princess Trust, however that is not the only exciting part!!!

We are trying to raise as much money as possible for The Little Princess Trust so if you and your child/children would like to donate some money, your child's name will be placed in a hat and if it is chosen they will get to cut off Miss Connor's hair!

School Council

The pupils chosen for this year's School Council will be announced on Tues the 19th of January.

RECYCLING

Just to remind parents of our recycling facilities. We have a bank on the playground where you can recycle shoes, curtains, clothes, sheets, towels and blankets.

Scripture Union

Scripture Union will be running for another 6 weeks starting on Wednesday the 13th of January. The same group of children from before Christmas will be attending but if your child would like to join please inform the school office.

LEARNING THIS MONTH!

The following is a brief 'snapshot' relating to the learning this month in each class!

P1- Literacy- ie, ee, or, z, w, ng sounds

Numeracy- Money, Time 3D shape

Topic-In the Toybox
ICT-Mouse control

P2 Literacy- Linguistic Phonics, Independent writing and Acrostic Poem Writing.

Numeracy- Money, Addition and Time

Topic- In the Toybox
ICT- Numeracy games

P3- Literacy- Focusing on Independent Writing

Numeracy- Increase speed in adding Tens & Units, Money and Shape

Topic- Weather Watchers
ICT- Presenting Data in graph form

P4/5- Literacy- Syllables, Poetry, Alliteration, Story writing/Narrative

Numeracy- Time, Negative Numbers, Multiplication, ordering, rounding

Topic- Raiders of the Lost Tomb

ICT- Picturestory, Power-Point and paint.

P6/7- Literacy- Collective nouns, palindromes, homophones, Letters (Complaints)

Numeracy- Fractions, 2d and 3d shape and Problem Solving

ICT- Power Points: Custom

Animation and Slide transition.

