

**BALLYMACRICKETT PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**PARENT INFORMATION**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019**

**Safeguarding**

Please be understanding of our safeguarding policy regarding access to the building. If you are meeting with a member of staff you should report to the office. Parents or visitors will not be granted access through any other door.

**Information/Curriculum Nights**

Information/Curriculum Nights will take place for parents of all primary children on the dates shown below. This is an opportunity for you to be informed of some of the intentions of the year ahead for your child/children. The teachers have also planned to include a particular theme/focus, relevant to their respective year groups. We hope that you find these evenings useful. Unfortunately, we cannot invite any children along as there would not be sufficient supervision available.

<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Date and Time</b>	<b>Focus</b>
Primary 2	Tues. 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 6.30pm	Reading in the Early Years
Primary 7	Wed. 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 7.00pm	E-Safety/Transfer 2020
Primary 1	Thurs. 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 6.30pm	Phonics in the Early Years
Primary 3	Thurs. 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 7.00pm	Transition from Foundation to Key Stage 1
Primary 5	Mon. 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 6.30pm	Teaching Multiplication Tables
Primary 6	Mon. 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 7.00pm	Developing Comprehension Skills
Primary 4	Thurs. 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 7:00pm	First Communion/ Phonics in Key Stage 1

**School Meals (Reminder)**

Angela and her staff provide nutritious meals that are appealing to our children. As a result, over 50% of them avail of these meals. Please see overleaf, for guidance on entitlement to Free School Meals.

Angela has also offered to provide a sandwich-based packed lunch for children entitled to free school meals who do not wish to avail of the hot meal.

Our school budget is based on pupil numbers. Recently, the Free School Meals Statistic has been implemented to calculate a significant additional amount of funding for schools.

**If you feel your child may be entitled to Free School Meals, please contact the school office, whether or not your child ever wishes to avail of the meals.**