



Parents'
Weekly
News
April 19th
2024

It has been a busy week in Balnamore Primary.



Our children learn in lots of different ways. It is exciting to watch them develop, participate and contribute to their own learning and to that of others. Each of our classes plan interesting and age-appropriate themes and topics that seek to match the abilities and interests of our children.

This week in school has featured the many and varied activities that take place as part of normal school life. Thank you for your support in preparing our children to take part and hopefully they will all continue to gain much from the experiences provided.

On Monday our older children arrived in full WW2 costume, for their themed day of active learning. These days are wonderful opportunities for children to learn in different ways and to enter into characters and roles that really develop their thinking and understanding as well as their knowledge.



On Tuesday it was all aboard the bus and off to Moorbrook Lakes for a spot of fishing! Am I living the dream or what?

The sun shone, the fish were biting, the children were really excited and while Moby Dick has still not been caught we had great fun trying and everyone managed to catch something.

Hopefully we get back again before the end of the year. Thanks to Chris and Mark for a great day.

As we come to terms with the exciting news that school will be open next year we are going to properly celebrate with a party! Nothing beats an ice-cream.





With last week's exciting news that the EA is not now in a position to take forward closure this year and that consequently, we will be open next year, we are moving full steam ahead with our plans for Balnamill Little Learners.

There is still opportunity for parents to make an expression of interest and find out more.

For lots more information and to make an expression of interest visit our website at www.balnamoreps.com



Balnamore Primary School School Closures 2024-2025



Month	From	To	Reason	
August 2024	1 st	26 th	Summer Holiday	Please note all dates are inclusive. School does not encourage and cannot condone term time absence for holidays and I urge parents to make every effort to arrange holidays to coincide with the above school closures.
October 2024	28 th	31 st	Autumn Half Term	
November 2024	1 st	1 st	Autumn Half Term	
December 2024	23 rd	31 st	Christmas Holiday	
January 2025	1 st	6 th	Christmas Holiday	
February 2025	10 th	14 th	Winter Half Term	
April 2025	14 th	25 th	Easter Holiday	
May 2025	5 th	5 th	Summer Half Term	
May 2025	23 rd	26 th	Exceptional Closure	
June 2025	13 th	13 th	Exceptional Closure	
July 2025	1 st	31 st	Summer Holiday	



A Week in the Life of... **Balnamore Primary**

For our 'Adventures of Paddington Bear' topic, the children created interesting fact files about animals that Paddington might have come across in the Amazon rainforest. The children have also been learning about camouflage and why it is so important for animals. We also continued to focus on money in Numeracy.





WW2 Theme Day

KS2 pupils enjoyed a Theme Day where they dressed up in character, made their own ration books, rationed out their tokens for their own essentials, experienced an air raid and found out about propaganda during the war.



What's Happening

NEXT WEEK

Monday	22 nd April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bounce Back Party 1.00pm• Busy Bees 2.00-3.00pm (P1-3)
Tuesday	23 rd April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assembly• KS2 Swimming• Whatever Weather Walkers
Wednesday	24 th April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•
Thursday	25 th April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Construction Club 3.00-4.00pm
Friday	26 th April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Busy Bees 2.00-3.00pm (P1-3)

If there is anything I can help you with, then please do not hesitate to contact the school office on 028 2766 4564 or email me at smulligan569@c2ken.net

Final Comment

Hopefully, you find the provision of the Parents' News helpful and informative. If you require further information on any of these matters, or any issue concerning school, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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