

Nóta 006: 20.9.24

**Cash for schools:** The school has registered for Asda's 'Cashpot for Schools' programme. This is a programme that donates money to primary schools. We would be grateful for those parents who shop in Asda to opt into the 'Cashpot for Schools' programme. Search for '*Bunscoil Mhic Reachtain*' and scan your Asda Rewards app when you shop at Asda, George or online at Asda.com. Every little helps ... many thanks.

**Ulster University Sports Hub:** Some of the children visited the new Ulster University Sports Centre which has state of the art facilities as well as a rooftop running track. Photos of some of the children can be seen on the school Facebook page and some of our little stars featured in the Irish News on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September.

**Music:**

Fiddle Lessons will restart this coming Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2024. Further information about Harp lessons will follow.

**Snámh:**

Rang 6/7 will be going swimming on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September. £2.00 for a four week block.

**Earrings:**

For safety reasons, please ensure that your children are not wearing large earrings. Small studs are safer during sports etc

**Just to keep you informed:** As well as music tuition (tin whistle, fiddle and harp) with the school and weekly sports at North Queen Street Recreation Centre, the school continues to have extra support with our Breakfast Club, Cumann Iarscoile, Speech and Language Therapy and Personal Development Workshops to build confidence and give strategies for potential worries

**Menu:** The menu for the school year will be sent out as soon as we receive it. Thank you for your patience.

**Thanks:** Big thanks to Stevie (one of the parents) for volunteering and removing all the weeds from the roof of the school.

**And finally below –** a wee poster all about your wee children coming home covered in paint, wet, mucky with all sorts of food dribbled down and dried into their uniforms .. it's all in a good cause!!

# LEARNING CAN BE MESSY

Playing outside is so important. I run and jump and get lots of fresh air. Sometimes I might get grass or mud on my clothes.



When I get messy, I have been showing curiosity, determination, persistence, imagination and confidence!

Using a knife and fork at lunchtime is tricky! Sometimes I get food on my clothes!

Our mud kitchen is so much fun! I use all my senses, which is so important for my development. It also helps me use my imagination and practise playing with my friends nicely!



Sometimes I get pen and paint on my clothes! This is because I am developing creative skills and exploring lots of different ways of making amazing art!



Exploring in the water tray is giving me lots of maths and scientific skills! I love pouring, filling and emptying! I usually wear an apron but sometimes my clothes get wet!



Exploring with playdough and other messy play resources like foam or food, helps me to develop fine motor control and build up muscles and coordination in my hands and fingers. I will need these when I learn to write.



