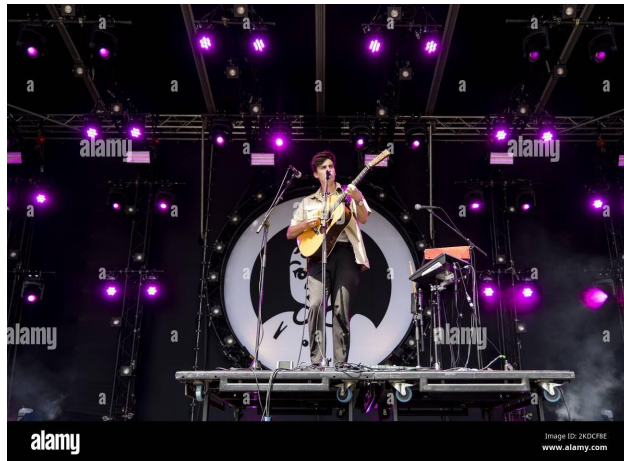


## November 2024

A big thank you to everyone who came along to our Harvest assembly and supported our food collection for Magherafelt Hope Foodbank. The pupils had a great time performing on the stage and learning about the importance of giving. Pupils in our Rights respecting team delivered all the foods to the food bank and got to see how the food was organised and distributed.

It was fantastic to end our half term with the return of our Parent Community Halloween disco! Thank you to all the parents and friends who helped with the organisation and running of the event.

The final SEAG assessment occurs this Saturday, and we wish all our P7 pupils who are sitting these tests the very best of luck!



## 25 birthday celebrations continue!

Our next birthday celebration will happen in the last week of November. Pupil Council have organised a wear 'Red and white for Spires' day for Friday 29th November. Pupils are asked to wear both or one of the colours which represent our school. All of our birthday celebration ideas were voted on by our pupils last school year. On Monday 25th November we are delighted to welcome back past pupil JC Stewart to Spires. All of our classes have been busy learning some of his songs so they can sing along!



## School Photographer

The school photographer will be in school on Tuesday 26th November. Please make sure your child is wearing their full formal uniform.



### **Open afternoon**

Our open afternoon is on Tuesday 3rd December from 1.30-3pm.

In order to accommodate this, all pupils will leave at 12 noon except those who are participating in the event. Your child will receive a letter if they are taking part.

If your child is entitled to Free School Meals, they can take a packed lunch home with them if you order it before hand on the dinner system.



## Christmas Events

We are planning for all pupils to have the opportunity to attend a Christmas event in December. Our Parent Community are kindly subsidising this to reduce costs. Mr Hullabaloo will be putting on a special Cinderella show for pupils in P1-3. Pupils in P4-7 will be going on a Christmas cinema trip. Permission letters with further details will be sent out shortly.



We are having our Christmas dinner on Friday 13th December. Pupils can come to school in a Christmas jumper.

## School Holidays 2024/25

The holiday list is available on our website, please note **school will be closing early on Tuesday 3rd December to allow for P1 Open afternoon.** Details will be sent home nearer the time.

## Christmas Holidays

School will finish on Friday 20th December with early closing times:

- P1/2 (and siblings) 11.10am
- P3/4 (and siblings) 11.30am
- P5-7 (and siblings) 11.45am

## Dates for your Diary

- 23 Nov P7 SEAG Transfer Test 2
- 3 Dec P1-3 Mr Hullabaloo show

- 3 Dec Open afternoon (early closure at 12)
- 6 Dec Santa run
- 12 Dec Christmas Shows (9.30 and 11.30) Early closure at 12.30
- 13 Dec Christmas jumper day and Christmas dinner
- 17 Dec P4-7 Christmas cinema trip
- 20 Dec School finishes early for Christmas holidays, non-uniform day.

Please remember to keep an eye on our Facebook page for more school event announcements.