



As we step into March, signs of Spring are beginning to appear all around us such as longer days, brighter mornings, and that welcome sense of new beginnings. It's a lovely time of year in school.

This month is filled with exciting learning opportunities, important updates, and plenty of events to look forward to as we continue through the school year. We hope you enjoy catching up on everything that's been happening and what's coming next. Thank you, as always, for your continued support and involvement.

Keeping our pupils safe

As our KS2 pupils prepare for the transition to post-primary school, we are increasingly aware of children accessing social media platforms, particularly WhatsApp.

Many of these platforms have age restrictions (typically 13+). We would strongly encourage all parents to monitor their child's online activity carefully. Many children below 13 are not ready for the responsibilities and potential risks that come with social media use.

Group chats can quickly become overwhelming for children and may expose them to inappropriate language, images, or unkind behaviour. Even when issues arise outside of school hours, this can still have a significant impact on children's wellbeing and their ability to focus and concentrate within school.



We ask that you:

- Check age restrictions before allowing access to apps and do not allow your child on an app that is not age appropriate.
- Monitor devices regularly.
- Remind your child about respectful communication online.
- Encourage them to speak to you if they experience anything that makes them uncomfortable.

Working together, we can try our best to help our pupils remain safe and supported both online and offline.

Massive Congratulations to Our Amazing School Choir!

We are absolutely thrilled to share the fantastic news that our wonderful choir performed at the Belfast Music Festival and were awarded 1st place in their category and named the Overall Top Performance of the entire festival!



A huge thank you to Miss Hall and Miss Cullen for their enthusiasm, hard work, and dedication in preparing the choir for this event. Your passion for music truly shines through in the children's performance.

We also want to give a very special thanks to Mrs Thompson, one of our amazing parents, who kindly volunteered to be our accompanist. Your support made a world of difference!

And finally, the biggest thank you goes to our wonderful girls and boys who have worked so hard, shown such dedication, and represented everyone at Harding Memorial so brilliantly today. We are all incredibly proud of you!

After Schools Club Term 3

🌟 After School Clubs – Summer Term 🌟

We are delighted to announce that our After School Clubs will recommence on Tuesday 21st April.

📌 Booking Information:

- Bookings will open on Tuesday 14th April at 7:00pm.
- Bookings will close on Friday 17th April at 2:00pm.
- Places are limited, so please ensure you book promptly within the given window. If you have any problems booking on School Money, please contact the school office and Mrs Vong or Mrs Sloan will be happy to help.

The following clubs will be available to book in April

Day	Club	Year Group	Time
Tuesday	Art Club	P2-P3	2:00–2:55 pm
Tuesday	Art Club	P4-P7	3.00-3.55pm
Tuesday	Football	P2-P3	2:00–2:55 pm
Tuesday	Football	P4-P7	3:00–3:55 pm
Wednesday	Irish Dancing	P2-P4	2:00–2:55 pm
Wednesday	Irish Dancing	P5-P7	3:00–3:55 pm
Wednesday	Clay Crazy Art	P2-P4	2:00–2:55 pm
Wednesday	Clay Crazy Art	P5-P7	3:00–3:55 pm
Thursday	Multi Sports	P1-P3	2:00–2:55 pm
Thursday	Multi Sports	P4-P7	3:00–3:55 pm

School Milk

School milk for Term 3 is now available to purchase via School Money at a cost of £8.17. The payment window will close on Friday 20th March at 2:30pm, so please ensure all orders are completed before this deadline.

May Fair Saturday 16th May 2026

Our May Fair is a very important part of the school year. It is a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together, celebrate, and have fun as well as raise funds to provide additional experiences for our pupils. This year's event will take place on *Saturday 16th May*. To make the day a success, we are looking for volunteers both in the lead-up to the fair and on the day itself. If you can help, please contact the school office and let us know whether you can support in advance, assist with setting up on *Friday 15th May from 2pm–4pm*, or help during the fair. All offers of support are greatly appreciated.

We are also seeking good quality donations, including unwanted gifts for the tombola, books in excellent condition for the book stall, chocolate for our chocolate tombola and any vouchers, items, or tickets suitable as raffle prizes. Please do not send any items into school until *Tuesday 5th May*, as we do not have the capacity to store them before this date. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support in helping us create a fantastic community event.



Dates For Your Diary

Friday 27 th March	Non-Uniform Day
Saturday 16 th May	May Fair
Wednesday 20 th May	Sports Day
Friday 26 th June	P7 Leavers Assembly
Monday 29 th June	P2 Concert