

GILNAHIRK PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY UPDATE



Our School Motto:

'Today's Learning for Tomorrow's World'

Our School Vision Statement...

At Gilnahirk Primary School, we seek to provide a happy and caring learning environment for each child. We hope that by helping them realise their potential, celebrating their achievements, respecting their differences and encouraging mutual respect, we will foster self esteem and provide a solid foundation for their future.

Dear parent/carer,

The month of June has arrived (if only someone had told the weather!). It was unfortunate that we couldn't run our sports day this week but it has nevertheless been a very busy week.

Don't forget it's our ***School Fair tonight, from 5.30pm to 7.30pm*** - further details in the first section of this week's Sway. The weather forecast is looking dry, if a little on the chilly side for this time of the year, but we're very hopeful that we can run as planned.

Hopefully we'll see many of you there for our last big Parents' Association event of the year.

Can I also draw your attention to the section on PE kit sizing and purchasing in the second section of this week's Sway.

SUMMER FAIR...



Our Summer Fair is planned for **Friday 5th June from 5.30pm - 7.30pm**. It would be great to see as many of you there as possible. There will be lots of stalls, food and other attractions. **Don't forget you will need cash to buy tickets at the fair entrance.**

PE KIT - SIZING/PURCASING OPPORTUNITIES...

If your child is starting P4 in September or is in P4-6 and has outgrown their current PE kit, please see below for information regarding PE kit sizing and purchasing...

A number of years ago, we introduced a PE kit of quarter zip and sports T shirt **from P4 upwards.** We will continue to offer the opportunity to buy this kit, whilst being mindful of the recent guidance from the Department of Education.

Steven from Crawford Embroidery will be in the school hall from 8.30am - 9.10am each morning on Monday 22nd June - Thursday 25th June. This is an opportunity for you to come and get your child sized up for the kit. You can also buy on those mornings. The cost of the quarter zip and T-shirt bundle is **£35**

PURCHASING OF UNIFORM/PE KIT FOR NEW SCHOOL YEAR...

At this time of the school year, thoughts begin to turn to uniform for the new school year. Please see the following points which reflect the **recent legally binding guidance published by the Department of Education:** (guidelines can be found at https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/publications/school-uniforms-guidelines)

- School jumpers and cardigans with the Gilnahirk crest can be purchased via SchoolMoney (in the Shop section). Depending on size, prices vary from £14.50 to £17.00 for the jumpers and £15.00 to £17.50 for the cardigans.
- Please note, we operate the uniform sales to break even - no profit is made for the school.
- As per the recent guidance, there is no obligation on you to purchase the school crested jumpers/cardigans. Plain grey cardigans and jumpers can be purchased from a range of outlets.
- As school is the only official stockists for school ties, they must be purchased from the online shop on SchoolMoney at a cost of £3.50 for junior ties (elasticated) and £4.00 for senior ties.
- As with previous years, grey trousers and skirts can be purchased at a range of outlets - we do not sell these from school.

IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON ORDERING UNIFORM FROM SCHOOL...

If you are ordering jumpers, cardigans, ties and other items from school, you should do so through the Shop section on SchoolMoney by ***Friday 10 July.*** *If you order later than this date, we cannot guarantee that you will have the item or items in time for the new school year, due to staff shortages over the summer break.*

MILK ORDERS FOR FIRST HALF TERM OF NEW SCHOOL YEAR...



If you wish your child to take milk in school, this is a reminder that milk orders for September-October 2026 should be placed on SchoolMoney by **19th June 2026.** Orders placed after that time will not be processed.

GILLY'S GILNAHIRK VALUES...





This week in Assembly, we introduced our final Gilly's Gilnahirk Value for the school year: RESPECT.

KS2 HOUSE COMPETITION...



The scores for the month of May are in - lots of points awarded last month. Winning House for the month of May is STORMONT

Stormont - 1700

Donard - 1410

Scrabo - 1270

Lagan - 740

Overall placings below - big month for Stormont who have leap frogged Scrabo in to the overall 1st position. Things are getting exciting with only June to go!

1st Place - Stormont - 2620

2nd Place - Scrabo - 2420

3rd Place - Donard - 2140

4th Place - Lagan - 1600

SCHOOL LIFE THIS WEEK...



P1 WORK ON 2D SHAPES...















P2 SPELLING ON THE IPADS...















P2 PE...




Today's learning for


Glinahirk
Primary School
for tomorrow's world


Education is the ability to meet life's situations
Invest in yourself, in your education.



P3 TRIP TO LADY DIXON PARK...














JOULES
ADVENTURE CLUB













P3 DODGE BALL...






Your Education is your life. Guard it well
enths of education is encouragement


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Today's


tomorrow's world
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P4 USING AI TO ASSIST WITH SPELLING...










triangular
prism





P5 RIVER NILE COLLAGES...















P6 TASTER DAYS AT CAMPBELL COLLEGE AND STRATHEARN SCHOOL...










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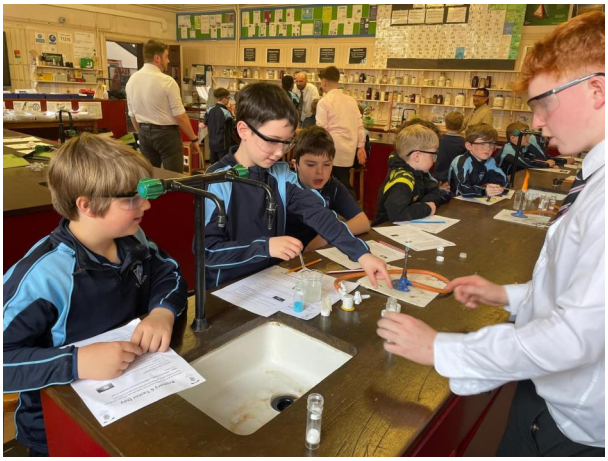

















Wash your hands














SULFUR
Year 11
Year 12


TASK STATION 1


TASK STATION 7
ROALD DAHL MATILDA


Glass Bowls
Cooker 5




TASK STATION 1




3A
3R
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3R












Welcome to Home Economics


Equipment
1 white chopping board
1 large plate
1 spoon
1 wooden pot stand

P6 SCIENCE FAIR SCRAPBOOKS...

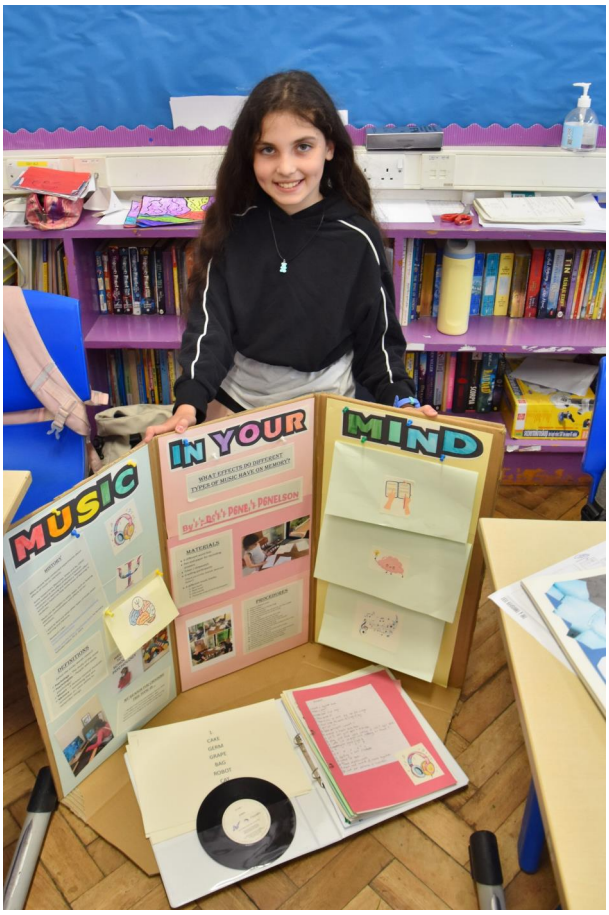


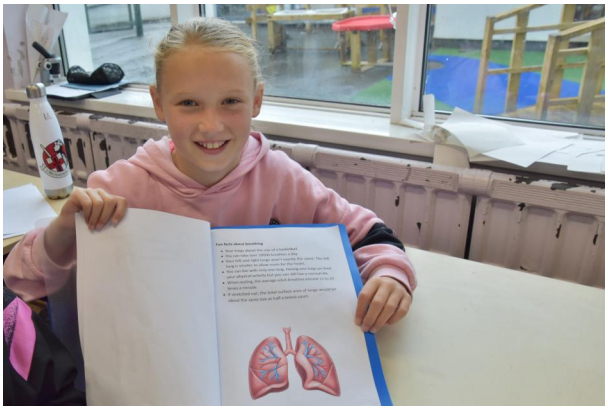


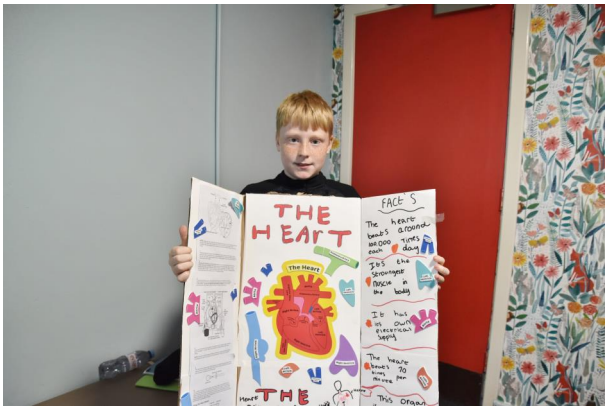


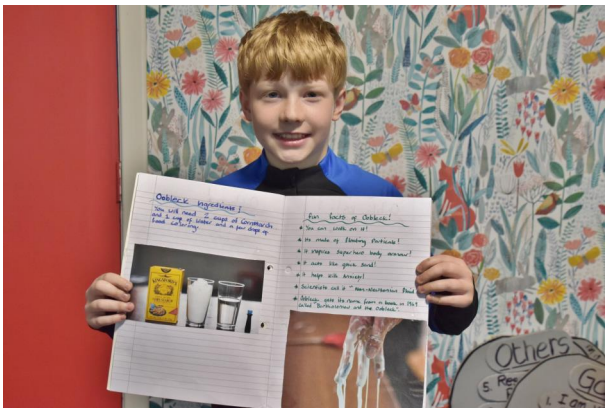





MUSIC
IN YOUR
MIND
WHAT EFFECTS DO DIFFERENT TYPES OF MUSIC HAVE ON MEMORY?
By Becky, Pene & Penelson
MATERIALS
METHOD
RESULTS







P7 VICTORIAN DAY...




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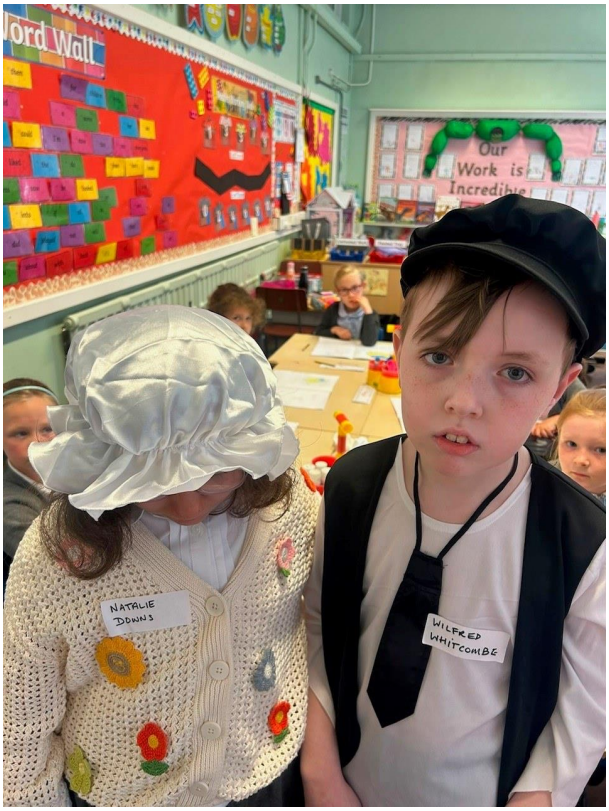











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P7 CV WRITING...

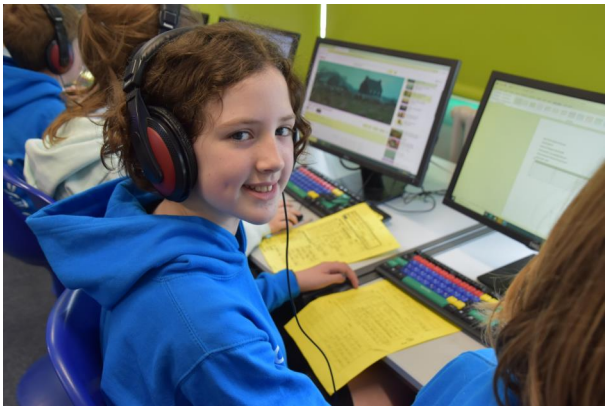














THE GILNAHIRK GALLERY OF GREATNESS...





1 - ***3 of our Gilnahirk girls were part of the Bloomfield girls team who won the SBYL cup, making it a league and cup double this season. Robyn scored two in the final and won player of the match! Well done, Ellie, Elliot and Robyn. A fantastic season!***



*2 - **Zeke and Elliora were awarded the Ambassadors award at their drama club - great work!***

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS...

If you are involved in any community linked activities and would like to promote them through our weekly update, please feel free to send to me via email dcorbett546@c2kni.net



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Friday 31 July, 5pm

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SUMMER SCHOOL

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Cost £110 per child

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10 Steeple Road, Antrim, BT41 1AF

27th-31st July - 9am to 2pm

Cost £100 per child



SUMMER HOCKEY CAMPS

BELFAST | LISBURN

JULY 6th - 10th
JULY 20th - 24th
AUGUST 10th - 14th

£130 FULL CAMP
£230 TWO CAMPS
£330 ALL CAMPS
£30 PER DAY

9AM - 5PM
AGES 8 - 15
FREE GOODY BAG

BOOK ONLINE AT BOOSTHOCKEYACADEMY.COM



OPEN TO ALL CHILDREN AGED 4-12

Dramarama
Performing Arts Academy

SUMMER SCHEME 2026



TO BOOK A SPACE OR FIND OUT MORE CONTACT US

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MAIN DATES FOR TERM 3...



- **Friday 5 June** - Summer Fair (5.30pm - 7.30pm)
- **Tuesday 23 June** - P7 Leavers' Party - 7pm
- **Thursday 25 June** - P7 Leavers' Service at Gilnahirk Presbyterian - 7pm
- **Tuesday 30 June -** School closes for summer break

With kind regards

D Corbett

Principal.

