

**OMAGH INTEGRATED PRIMARY SCHOOL, NURSERY & PRE-SCHOOL**  
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Dear Parent / Guardian

**We are pleased to announce that our school app, Omagh IPS is available for download....**

We strongly encourage you to download the app free from the App Store (Apple Products) or Google Play Store (Android devices).

If prompted for a password, type in the password that was sent to you today by text.

**Once downloaded....** Please select the class/classes appropriate for your child/children and enable notifications in order to receive information.

**This is all that we need you to do at this point.**

**Please DO NOT submit any forms.**

Initially the App will serve as a communications tool and we will slowly phase out our texting system.

We will use the App to share letters, to request forms usually sent home and returned to school and to help you to communicate to school any reasons for pupil absence.

In the near future, we hope that payments, (including dinner money) can be made through the App. We will notify you when this payment feature becomes available.

The App is a work in progress and will be updated throughout the year.

**Seesaw**

Many of you have engaged with class teachers through Seesaw and this is a fantastic tool for supporting pupil learning and for parents to receive updates on classroom activities.

Teachers will use this app primarily to share pupil work, to upload homework on occasions and to share tasks for classes at times.

It is also the means by which we will provide online support in the event of any partial or full school closure or on occasions where individual pupils need to self-isolate for an extended period of time.

**Please be advised that Seesaw is not the means by which we can respond to:**

Queries about your child's learning or progress.

Worries about behaviour or any other issues.

General school/class enquiries.

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These should be raised through the office and/or by requesting an opportunity to speak to your child's teacher. Discussions such as these, that ordinarily would have taken place through a face to face meeting can be facilitated through a phone call.

**Website & Facebook**

We will continue to use Facebook & the school website to promote the school in our local and wider community, to highlight community issues and at times to share information with parents. A link to both will be available via the parent app.

We hope that our Parent App proves to be a useful tool for keeping you informed of key school information and we thank you for your continued support going forward.

Regards

*Gavin Gallagher*  
Principal