



### 21st March 2024

# **Limavady Shared Campus Official Opening Event**

An £11 million shared education campus in Limavady was recently opened with Education Authority (EA) Chief Executive Sara Long, Chairperson of the Board of the Education Authority, Barry Mulholland, Interim Director of Operations & Estates, Donna Allen and Assistant Director for School Development, Seamus Bradley all attending.

The newly completed campus brings together St Mary's and Limavady High School sites with a range of new shared facilities including a shared 6th Form/Careers/Drama/Media centre on the St Mary's site and shared STEM facilities (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) on the Limavady High School site.

To read the full story and view more photographs, please visit the <u>EA News page</u>.



Pictured are Mark Baker, Chief Executive of Controlled Schools' Support Council (CSSC); Donal McKeown, Bishop; Chief Executive of Council for Catholic Maintained Schools (CCMS), Eve Bremner; Chief Executive, EA, Sara Long and Chairperson of the Board, EA, Barry Mulholland

#### **EdIS Latest News**

#### New Case Management system - Aligned Data Access (ADA)

Francine Hillemand, <u>#EdIS</u> Workstream Lead, recently unveiled the successful rebranding of the new **Case Management system**, 'ADA – Aligned Data Access'. As the EdIS solution, ADA will replace the current Education Management System used across EA to provide a range of support services to children and young people.

To watch this video, and see the latest updates and communications from EdIS, please visit the EdIS Latest News page.



# NI Schools participate in Shared Education event at W5

The EA in partnership with Belfast City Council and Stena Line recently hosted a shared Education celebration event at W5, Belfast.

Through the Stena Line Shared Education Project eight schools from South and West Belfast have been participating in a four-year shared education programme that has supported the development of four new shared education partnerships.

St. Peter's PS & Malvern PS, St. John the Baptist PS & Finaghy PS, St. Bride's PS & Donegal Road PS and Springhill PS & St. Clare's PS have taken part in this fantastic programme which has cemented relationships between the pupils, staff and the wider community.

The programme targeted Key Stage 2 pupils and in the last four years pupil participation has increased with over 600 pupils, in 2023/24, engaging in shared education activity as part of the project.

To read the full story and view more photographs, please visit the <u>EA News page</u>.



Pictured are representatives from EA, Belfast City Council and Stena Line along with Chris Gardner, Director of Good Relations at the Executive Office and the teaching staff from St. Peter's PS and Malvern PS

## National Literacy Trust (NLT) Reading Champions Quiz



Killicomaine Junior High School recently hosted the first ever NI Heat of the National Literacy Trust Reading Champions Quiz with Laura Fitzpatrick NLT, Janet Compston, EA Education Library Service and local author Lynda Haffey.

Congratulations to the winners, Strathearn School who will travel to London for the final in June.





# Music Service welcomes Benedetti Foundation

EA Music Service Western Region were delighted to work with The Benedetti Foundation recently, as part of the second Benedetti Foundation 5 Day Residency in Northern Ireland.

Visiting tutors engaged with approximately 1,450 children as well as 45 classroom teachers which culminated in a weekend of performance and fun!

Well done to all the inspiring and talented young people and staff who took part!

The full story and photographs from the day can be viewed on the Music Service Latest News page.



### **INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY**

The theme for International Women's Day this year was #InspireInclusion and EA Catering Services celebrated by showcasing some of the 'superheroes' who work in their kitchens.

Not only do these staff make a daily difference in the lives of the young people they interact with, but so many of them make such valuable contributions to the communities that they live in.

<u>Watch this video</u> and learn about three inspirational ladies and find out a little bit more about them and some of the work they do in and out of school.



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# Drop-in sessions for Parents and Carers of children with SEN

The EA Statutory Assessment & Review Service (SARS) team still have some drop-in sessions remaining in Omagh and Belfast during March.

These are for parents and carers of children who are undergoing the statutory assessment process or who are at a Transitional stage of their educational journey.

**Friday 22nd March, EA Headquarters,** 1 Hospital Road, Omagh, BT79 0AW

**Friday 29th March, EA Headquarters,** Academy Street, Belfast, BT1 2NQ

Sessions are from 10.00 am - 12.00 pm

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