7th January, 2014

Dear Parents,

We would like to welcome you all back to school and hope that you had an enjoyable Christmas.

* Pupils from 1st, 4th,6th classes will begin their Swimming lessons this Friday January 10th. The cost is €20 per pupil. Enclosed is a list of the items that the children need to take with them.
* Jackie Bolster resumes her music classes today, Tuesday January 7th. The cost per child for this term is €10.(Pupils 3rd – 6th ).
* We understand that this may be a difficult time financially for some people. If it suits, you may pay your swimming and music money in weekly instalments of €5. Similarly if you owe the school money since last term you may pay weekly. Feel free to speak to the class teacher about this.
* We thank the Parents Association for subsidising the cost of the above Swimming and Music Lessons.
* Congratulations to the boys from 5th & 6th classes who raised a total of €930 on Tuesday December 17th when they went Carol Singing on O’Brien St. Well done to all those involved in organising the boys for the event. We presented S.V.P. with €400 and have kept the rest for school funds.
* Aaron Jones is starting tag rugby with 5th and 6th class boys today. His fee will be €2 per child. You may pay this weekly to your class teacher. 1st – 4th classes will be starting their session with Aaron on February 28th.
* Please find attached a brochure for Setanta Book Clubs. There are great bargains out there at the moment. If you are interested in purchasing books you may do so by filling in the order form and returning it and the correct money to the school by Friday January 17th. If paying by cheque please make it payable to the school. Please note purchase of books is completely optional.
* Timmy Burke will be taking 1st – 4th class boys for football (this term) for six weeks.
* Thanks to the Parents’ Association for organising the fundraising with the Lorraine O’Riordan Gospel Choir before Christmas. Despite the terrible weather we had a great response to the event. We raised €500 on the day. Thanks to the children who came along on the day and thanks to everybody who helped out and participated in the fun
* Thanks too to all those who organised the Christmas Raffle. A big thank you to those who donated and sponsored prizes. We sold €375 worth of tickets. Thanks to everybody who bought tickets and congratulations to the winners.
* I remind you to log on to our school website to keep up to date on school events. The address is [www.stcolmansbnskanturk.weebly.com](http://www.stcolmansbnskanturk.weebly.com)
* Don’t’ forget you can follow us on twitter @colmansbns

I conclude by wishing you every health, happiness and success in 2014.

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Eilish Finnegan,

Principal.

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