12th June, 2017

Dear Parents,

- We wish all our past pupils continued success as they currently sit their Junior and Leaving Certificates.
- As you know our school tour is either Wed. June 21st or Monday June 26th. We would appreciate if you could pay this money as quickly as possible to your class teacher.
- Well done to all the boys who participated in the Primary School Swimming Gala on May 17th. Congratulations to Ronan Hynes (2nd class) who came second in his category. Thanks again to those who accompanied the boys on the day.
- Well done to the 2nd and 3rd class boys who took part in the Hurling Blitz in Banteer on May 18th.
- Well done to 4th class boys who came 1st in the quiz in Boherbue on May 19th. The team was Alex Thornton, Stephen Sheehan, Ronan Harrington and Paddy Duggan.
- Congratulations to our pupils who took part in Cork City Sports on June 1st. Alan Kowalski (4th) came home with a silver trophy, while our U11 relay team came 3rd. The team was Stephen Sheehan, Dan O'Rourke, Daragh Quirke and Alan Kowalski. Well done to all who participated on the day and thanks to those who travelled and looked after the boys. Thanks to Helen Healy for training our athletes.
- On Thursday last we had the privilege of welcoming our 26 boys who will be joining us in September. We hope they will be very happy in our school.
- As the end of the school year approaches we ask you to send in a stamped address envelope for receipt of school report and book list for the coming year. If you have changed your address or mobile number recently we would appreciate if you would inform us of this.
- From June 19th June 23rd our school will be taking part in the Active Schools Week. The following is a brief outline of activities to be explored.

Monday 19th – Sports Day

Tuesday 20th – Exercise and Fitness Class with Martin Sheehan, Specialist in Sports Pedagogy.

Wed. 21^{st} – School tours for $1^{st}/2^{nd}$, 5^{th} & 6^{th} .

Thursday $22^{nd} - 5^{th} \& 6^{th}$ classes climb Clara Mountain.

Friday 23^{rd} – Visit from Trevor McCarthy, Heritage Expert. Children will get an insight into Irish History during the Iron age/ Celtic and Viking eras through interactive display and play. We ask the children to pay $\in 2$ towards the cost of our Tuesday and Friday activities. You can give this money to class teacher.

- Weather permitting the Sports Day will be on Monday 19th. We are grateful to the Kanturk Rugby Club for allowing us to use their facilities for the day. As happens every year our Parents' Association will host a Coffee-morning/afternoon! You are all most welcome to come and enjoy a chat and a cuppa. There will also be a raffle on the day with some great prizes on offer! The tickets will be on sale in the school from tomorrow on and on the day. The cost is €1 per strip or 3 strips for €2. We hope that some people will do some baking for the morning!
- We congratulate all the children who took part in the Food Dudes Programme. We are delighted to see the children continue to take fruit and vegetables to school. They are earning bronze, silver and gold certificates!
- Next Thursday June 15th- we welcome Mr Steve Hales from the U.K. He is a teacher who comments on the 100 word challenge writing activity being pursued in Mrs Boyce's class. We look forward to an inspiring visit and workshop with the children.
- Well done to all the 5th and 6th class boys who recently took part in a poster competition organised by our local Garda Station. The boys based their poster on issues relating to Gardai and Safety. Congratulations to Liam Breen and Callum Carroll who were prize winners in this competition.
- We would like to wish our pupils the best of luck travelling to Kilkenny next weekend to take part in the U14 Hurling Féile Competition. We hope you have a successful and enjoyable trip.
- We will be closing for our Summer Holidays on Wednesday June 28th at 12.30p.m.
- Don't forget to log on to the school website for up to date information on school activities. The address is <u>www.kanturkbns.com</u>
- Follow us on twitter too.

Thanking you for your support. Is mise le meas,

Eilish Finnegan, Principal.