1st June, 2021

Dear Parents,

Just to keep you updated on the upcoming events taking place.

We have been asked by Kanturk Arts Festival to take part in a community Arts Project. This project is being supervised by two local artists Anthony and Kate (parents of Kiril in 5th class). It involves the completion of large temporary tepees decorated with children's paintings in O'Brien Street. The paintings are based on the theme of 'Summer Dreams'. We look forward to a wonderful, colourful creation illustrating our children's idea of summer and the activities they would like to pursue during the holiday period. We thank those involved in the supervision of this project. We hope to paint 100 paintings which will be laminated and assembled to create the tepee.

Anthony Garvey author of children's books, including the award-winning Gravespeakers book series is giving a 90 minute session to 3rd & 4th class via zoom this Friday a.m. In his presentation he will read some stories from his books, explain how he became an author and offer advice to every child hoping to become the next Roald Dahl or J.K.Rowling. We hope the children enjoy the presentation.

Our 5th & 6th class pupils will be going to Ballyhass this year, June 21^{st} for their school tour. (parents will be dropping off and collecting the children). The cost is \notin 45 per child. For those who have not paid yet, payment details have been sent to you.

 $1^{st} - 4^{th}$ class pupils will enjoy a session of activities with Fitness Ireland Coach, Martin Sheehan. This also takes place on June 21^{st} . the cost of this is $\notin 6$ per child. (Collection details of money, nearer the time). The children will also enjoy a feast of trips and picnics in the park in the lead up to the Summer Holidays.

We hope to have our Annual Sports Day on June 22^{nd} . This year it will be different. More details nearer the time.

We would like to thank members of Kanturk Fire Station for dropping off Activity Packs to $(1^{st}-3^{rd})$ last week. The children are enjoying and learning valuable lessons about fire safety.

Ber Browne our health nurse will be talking to 6th class pupils this Thursday June 2nd on the theme of 'Growing and Changing'.

Our Parents Association registered our school in a competition with nationalbooktokens.com in the hope of winning \in 5,000 worth of books for our school. The closing date for entry is Sat. 31st July, 2021. We would appreciate if you would enter this competition too. The more entries the better chance of winning! We thank our Parents Association and Amanda Higgins for alerting us to this competition.

The class groupings have been decided for next year. They are as follows;

Ms. Hickey
Mrs Linehan
Ms. McLoughlin
Mrs O'Sullivan
Mrs Finnegan, Mrs Boyce

Our class teachers are currently completing our Micra and Sigma-T tests. Results of which will be forwarded to you with school report.

Our Annual School Report and Book lists for next year will be forwarded to you very shortly. We ask you to send a stamped addressed envelope in to your class teacher as soon as possible for this.

We look forward to welcoming and meeting our incoming 1st class for September on Friday June 18th. We hope they will be very happy with us in our school.

We remind you that the school will be closed next Monday (Bank Holiday) June 7th and Tuesday (School Holiday) June 8th.

We will be getting our summer Holidays on Thursday (June 24th) at 12.30.

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>

Don't' forget you can follow us on twitter @colmansbns

Thanking you for your support. Is mise le meas,

Eilish Finnegan, Principal.