## Dear Parents,

- Just to update you on events taking place in our school.
- Good luck to the 6<sup>th</sup> class pupils who will be taking part in a Robotics Competition in C.I.T. this Tuesday, Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>. Congratulations to all the pupils and staff who are so well prepared for this event.
- Good luck to the Green Schools as they prepare for their trip to Galway next week. They are encouraging all students to take a recyclable drinking bottle to school. They also remind people to collect the materials necessary for the Marine Art.
- The J.E.P. team remind you of continuing to collect plastic containers. They are working through their project which will culminate in May with a trip to the J.E.P. Exhibition in Dublin. We thank those involved in the project.
- It is a special year for second class pupils, they are busy preparing for their First Holy Communion. Their First Confession is Thursday March 21<sup>st</sup> at 7.30p.m. Their next 'Do This in Memory Mass' is next Sunday January 27<sup>th</sup>
- Catholic Schools Week 2018 begins on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January. Wednesday Jan 30<sup>th</sup> is designated as the day when the school community pays tribute to grandparents. Both primary schools in the parish invite <u>all</u> our parents and grandparents to join us for 10 O'clock Mass on this day and afterwards for a cup of tea in the Girls School Hall. We hope as many as possible can attend.
- We had a very informative talk from a group of people from U.C.C. last Thursday. They spoke to the children about microbes, hygiene and healthy eating.
- Good luck to the children who have been selected to represent the school in the upcoming Credit Union Quiz on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Feb. We have two teams under 11 and two teams over 11. The over 11 teams are T.1. Eoin O'Keeffe, Paddy Duggan, Matthew Deady and Ronan Hynes. T.2. Killian Mulchay, Charlie Barry, Mathew O'Gorman and Danny Cronin. Under 11 teams T1. Joe Murphy, Ronan Hynes, Warren O'Mahony and Conor Hartnett. T2. Dylan Twomey, Liam O'Mahony, Jack McSweeney and Kristupas Martinkus. The over 11 children will be taking part in Scór Quiz on February 8<sup>th</sup>.

- We hope to start Basketball with Sheila Clernon this week. As you know the session is €2 per child. We hope to have 6 sessions.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> class boys will be preparing their art work for Kanturk Arts Festival very shortly. The theme is 'The Great Outdoors' good luck to all the boys.
- We understand that this may be a difficult time financially for some people. If you have not paid your swimming or music money for the term you may do so in weekly instalments. Similarly if you owe the school money since last term you may pay weekly. Feel free to speak to the class teacher about this. [The amount is €20 for swimming and €10 for music].
- Don't forget to log on to the school website for up to date information on school activities. The address is www.kanturkbns.com
- Don't' forget you can follow us on twitter @colmansbns
- I conclude by thanking all the staff, parents and pupils for their continued work and commitment in the school.

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Eilish Finnegan, Principal.	