

23rd January, 2018

Dear Parents,

- Just to update you on events taking place in our school.
- It is a special year for second class pupils, they are busy preparing for their First Holy Communion. Their First Confession is March 21st at 7.30p.m.
- Catholic Schools Week 2018 begins on Sunday 28th January. Thursday Feb 1st is designated as the day when the school community pays tribute to grandparents. Both primary schools in the parish invite all our parents and grandparents to join us for 10 O'clock Mass on this day and afterwards join us for a cup of tea in the Girls School Hall. We hope as many as possible can attend.
- Well done to the boys who took part in the Scór Quiz last Friday night in Cullen. We had 4 teams representing the school. The teams were T1. Eoin O'Keeffe, Shane Carver and Paddy Duggan. T2. David Allen, Dan O'Rourke and Darragh Quirke. T3. Dara Browne, David Lehane and Charlie Barry, and T4. Killian Mulcahy and Liam Allen. Our members of T2 got through to the next round of the quiz due to take place on Sat. Feb. 3rd. We also are taking part in the Annual Credit Union Quiz this Friday, Jan. 26th in Banteer. Again we have four teams in this competition. They are T1. Eoin O'Keeffe, Shane Carver, David Allen and Paddy Duggan. T2. Stephen Sheehan, Michael Barry, Charlie Barry and Nathan Higgins. T3. Killian Mulcahy, Matthew Deady, Danny Cronin and Joe Murphy. T4. Jack McSweeney, Szymon Kuras, Ronan Hynes and Liam O'Mahony. Good luck to all involved.
- Congratulations to Liam Allen in 3rd class who has been awarded merit in the 8-10 year old General Category in the Credit Union Art Competition. He has been invited to a National Exhibition and Prize Giving Ceremony on Sunday Feb. 11th in Croke Park. This is a marvellous achievement. Well done again Liam.
- We are in our 3rd week of Basketball with Sheila Clernon. As you know the session is €2 per child. We hope the children are enjoying the activity.

- 2nd, 3rd and 4th class boys will be preparing their art work for Kanturk Arts Festival very shortly. The theme is 'Pride of Place' - good luck to all the boys.
- 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th class children are currently preparing for a flash fiction creative writing competition as part of Kanturk Arts Festival. Best of luck to all involved in this project.
- We will be hosting our Book Fair in the school on March 7th. The children are writing articles for a book which we will hope to have on sale at the Book Fair.
- 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].
- We welcome Katie Hickey to our school as staff member. She was appointed on Jan. 8th replacing Mrs Daly. We hope she will be very happy here with us.
- 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](https://twitter.com/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.