5th February, 2019

Dear Parents,

- Just to keep you up to date on the events taking place in the school.
- Well done to all the boys who took part in the Annual Credit Union Quiz on last Friday Feb. 1st. Congratulations to our boys who won 1st prize in the over 11's Category - Paddy Duggan, Eoin O'Keeffe, Matthew Deady and Ronan Harrington. They will go on to represent our school in the next round, called Chapter Level in Mallow on March 2nd. Best of luck to all involved in this preparation.
- Good luck to the children taking part in the Scór Quiz taking place this Saturday in Rockchapel at 2.30p.m.
- We have three more swimming lessons to go. We thank our Parents' Association for subsidising our swimming and music lessons.
- The boys are enjoying basketball sessions with Sheila Clernon and Áine Martin. We thank the coaches for their time and sharing their knowledge of the game with the boys. Cost is €2 per session.
- The pupils from 3rd and 4th classes are completing their pictures for the Kanturk Arts Festival. This year's theme is 'The Great Outdoors'. A big thank you to all involved in helping the boys with their work.
- Well done to the 6th class boys on their design and programming of their Robot. Well done too on your STEM Project. You represented your school very well on Jan. 22nd in Cork. Thanks to all involved in this project.
- Well done to the Green Schools Committee. They did us proud in Galway on Jan. 29th. We are looking forward to a fun day of Science experiments, Art and other surprises. More details nearer the time.

- Our J.E.P. Ambassadors are doing very well at their enterprise too. There are red/white, green/white headbands for sale in the school. The cost is €2 each or 3 for €5. To purchase is optional.
- 5th Class boys are embarking on a Cookery All Star Programme sponsored by Super Valu. Last week we had scrambled eggs and toast. Can't wait to see this weeks treat!
- Today Tuesday Feb. 5th is Internet Safety Day. We will speak to the children on the importance of correct internet use. We ask you to talk to your children about their activities on the internet i.e. have a look at their You Tube, snapchats and email accounts. Look at our website for more parent information.
- Unfortunately we had to cancel Grandparent's Day Mass. It is now rescheduled for Feb. 20th. We hope you can make it.
- 2nd class have their next 'Do this In Memory' Mass on March 17th. Their First Confession is on March 21st.
- The Convent Primary School are hosting an open evening this Thursday Feb7th at 7.30p.m. Spread the word if you know of any children due to start school this year.
- Enclosed is information on St. Patrick's Day and the sale of shamrocks. We will be fundraising in the school through the sale of Living Shamrock. The Shamrock is supplied by Irish Plants International Athlone. Each Shamrock is sold for €4. The school retains €2.00 of this cost. Attached please find a Sponsorship Card for the sale of same. Your participation in this activity is <u>completely voluntary</u>. You may choose not to participate in this activity or you may sell as many Shamrocks as you please. <u>HOWEVER ALL CARDS USED OR UNUSED MUST BE</u> <u>RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL</u> BY FEBRUARY 13TH. If you need extra cards they are available in the school. Remember to purchase is entirely optional.
- The school will be closed on Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd of February for midterm break. We hope you all have an enjoyable time.
- Don't forget to log on to the school website <u>www.kanturkbns.com</u> to see what is happening.
- Don't' forget you can follow us on twitter @colmansbns
- I conclude by thanking all the staff, parents and pupils for their continual work and commitment in the school.

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