

8<sup>th</sup> October, 2018

Dear Parents,

Just to keep you up to date on events happening in the school.

Reminder of meeting for 2<sup>nd</sup> class parents in the Girls School at 7.30pm Wed 10<sup>th</sup> to discuss the 'Do This In Memory' Programme.

Martin Sheehan – Fitness coach will be taking the boys for 7 sessions of activity, starting this Thurs. October 11<sup>th</sup>. The cost is €2 per session. You may pay the full amount together or weekly to class teacher.

We would like to thank Martin Farrissey for taking the 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> class boys for football. They are really enjoying the sessions.

Well done to our 2<sup>nd</sup>/ 3<sup>rd</sup> class boys who had an enjoyable day out last week at Football Blitz in Mallow. Thanks to those who looked after the boys on the day.

Well done too to the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class boys who played Hurling in Rathcoole last Friday. Thanks again to those who travelled and looked after the boys.

The Quiz season is starting again. Well done to Ronan Harrington, Paddy Duggan, Alex Thornton and Stephen Sheehan who came 1<sup>st</sup> at the Quiz in Boherbue on Friday Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>, organised by the Girl Guides. Well done to the teams that took part in the recent Quiz in Coláiste Treasa. Good luck to those taking part in the Annual Dromtarriffe Quiz on Friday October 19<sup>th</sup>.

The Green Schools Committee clothes collection is Tuesday October 23<sup>rd</sup>. The clothes collection company will take used men's/women's and children's clean unwanted clothing, shoes, belts, handbags, ties, linens, household textiles, stuffed toys, also take old books (not school books or magazines). You may start bringing in these items anytime from now on.

Reminder that the school photographer is coming on Tuesday November 6<sup>th</sup>. He will be taking individual and group photographs of the children in 1<sup>st</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> classes. Individual/ family photographs from other classes may be taken on the day if requested. If you are interested please contact the school. Purchase of photographs is completely optional.

Our Parents' Association are holding their A.G.M. next Monday October 15<sup>th</sup> in the school at 8p.m. Everybody welcome. We particularly welcome new members. Enclosed please find a letter from the Parent's Association outlining the activities they do.

If you haven't paid your Photocopying, Book Rental and Music for the term we ask that you do so as quickly as possible. If you have any financial difficulties please contact the principal or class teacher. You may pay in instalments if this arrangement suits you best.

Also, if you have not returned your Annual Consent Form and Code of Discipline Acceptance Form please do so immediately. If you have mislaid these forms could you please request a replacement from class teachers. It is very important to complete these forms.

The children will be starting their Credit Union Posters very shortly. This year's theme is 'Force of Nature'. Good luck to all involved.

Soon they will be starting their Christmas Cards which will be on sale later in the term.

If you need to meet a teacher at any time please make an appointment by ringing the school beforehand.

Swimming lessons for 2<sup>nd</sup> (Mrs Linehan), 2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup> (Mrs O'Connor) and 5<sup>th</sup> (Mrs Boyce) classes will commence on Friday November 7<sup>th</sup> and will continue for 6 weeks. The cost is €36 per pupil. However the Parents' Association have very kindly agreed to subsidise this amount by contributing €16 per pupil. If you are unable to pay the fee of €20 in one payment you may do so in weekly instalments. The other classes will be going after Christmas.

All pupils will be taking part in I.T. classes with Niamh Barrett commencing Friday November 7<sup>th</sup> for six weeks. In the classes we will focus on **Basic Computer Skills** including **Word** together with an introduction to **Coding** including **Scratch** and **HTML**. The activities offered and the learning are all age appropriate. The cost is €2 per session. Again you may pay this in full or weekly instalments to class teacher.

Maths Week will be taking place from 13<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> October. We hope to pursue lots of Mathematical games and activities with the children.

Space Week is from October 4<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>. The children have been very busy learning about life in space!

Reminder the school will be closed on October 26<sup>th</sup> to facilitate the upcoming Referendum and Presidential Election.

We remind you to log on to the school website and see what is happening in the school. The address is [www.kanturkbns.com](http://www.kanturkbns.com) Don't forget you can follow us on twitter@colmansbns

I conclude by thanking you for your continued support and co-operation in our school.

Le gach dea ghuí,

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Eilish Finnegan  
Principal

