Dear Parents,

We would like to welcome you all back to school and hope that you had an enjoyable Christmas.

Jackie Bolster resumes her music classes tomorrow Wednesday January 10th. The cost per child for this term is $\in 10$ (Pupils $2_{nd} - 6_{th}$).

1st (Mrs Linehan) and 3rd & 4th (Mrs Boyce's) classes will be starting swimming this Friday January 12th for six weeks. The cost is €20 per child.

Basketball will be starting with Sheila Clernon this Wednesday January 10th - 7th February for 5 weeks. The fee will be €2 per child per session. You may pay this weekly to your class teacher or you may pay the full amount together. After the basketball we will have tag rugby with Olan Daly. We hope the children have fun.

We understand that this may be a difficult time financially for some people. If it suits, you may pay your swimming and music money in weekly instalments of €5. Similarly if you owe the school money since last term you may pay weekly. Feel free to speak to the class teacher about this.

We thank the Parents Association for subsidising the cost of our Swimming and Music Lessons.

Well done to 4th, 5th and 6th class boys who went carol singing on Tuesday December 19th. With the money we made we intend to give €250 each to Mercy House and Kanturk Hospital. With the remainder we hope to buy two more concertinas for the school. A big thank you to all the parents who collected on the day. Thanks too to the staff who prepared and sang with the children at the event.

2nd class will have their next 'Do This In Memory Mass' on Sunday January 14th at 10a.m.

5th and 6th class pupils have started their preparation for their Confirmation. This term they will have their Enrolment Ceremony and Ceremony of Light (Dates to be confirmed).

Later on in the term our school will be hosting the Book Fair. More details nearer the time.

Reminder in the event of cold winter weather occurring we urge you not to travel to school until it is **safe** to do so. If your child is late for school he will not be marked absent. Remember to think safety first. Our school will remain open unless you hear otherwise via text that morning. Also as per H.S.E. advice please be mindful of sending your child to school if you feel he has symptoms of flu.

I remind you to log on to our school website to keep up to date on school events. The address is www.kanturkbns.com

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

I conclude by wishing you every health, happiness and success in 2018. Is mise le meas.

Eilish Finnegan, Principal.

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