

27<sup>th</sup> February, 2018

Dear Parents,

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

- Congratulations to Paddy Duggan (5<sup>th</sup> class) and Shane Fitzgerald (6<sup>th</sup>) who came 1<sup>st</sup> and runner up respectively in the Flash Fiction Creative Writing Competition, part of Kanturk Arts Festival. The boys will be presented with their prizes on March 16<sup>th</sup> at 8pm in the Kanturk Courthouse. They will read their scripts to the audience assembled on the night. Well done to all involved.
- 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class children will have their Enrolment Ceremony for their Confirmation this Wed. February 28<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. We wish the pupils and teachers well as they prepare for this big event.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> class have their next 'Do This In Memory Mass' this Sunday March 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Good luck to our over 11 Credit Union Quiz Team class boys taking part in the chapter level of the Credit Union Quiz this Saturday March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2p.m. The boys are David Allen, Shane Carver, Paddy Duggan and Eoin O'Keeffe. Well done to all who have prepared the boys for this event.
- We had our Annual Diocesan Visit from Noreen O'Sullivan on Thursday February 8<sup>th</sup>. She was very happy and impressed with her reception in all the classes.
- We welcomed Martina Ryan from Cork Mental Health Services on Wed Feb 21<sup>st</sup> to speak to 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> classes on Mental Wellness. She also spoke to the children about the transition from Primary School to Secondary School.

- We will be hosting our Book Fair from March 6<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>. The children will have the opportunity to buy books. To buy books is optional. Details of opening times of fair as follows:
 

Wed. 7 <sup>th</sup>	10 – 11am	For Nathleen & Tina’s Playgroups.
	11 – 12.30	Girls School
	1 – 4pm	Boys School
	7.30 – 8.30pm	Public Welcome
Thurs. 8 <sup>th</sup>	3 – 4.30pm	Public Welcome
Fri. 9 <sup>th</sup>	1.30 – 2.30pm	Public Welcome
- Our Parents’ Association are having a meeting this Thursday March 1<sup>st</sup> at 8p.m. We hope as many as possible can attend as we will be looking for volunteers to help out at the upcoming book Fair.
- We are taking orders for our ‘We are Writers’ book which was written by all the children in the school. The cost is €6.50. We would prefer if you have placed your order before the Book Fair begins. To buy is optional.
- As World Book Day is approaching we invite you to donate an old book for the school library. Write your name inside stating ‘Donation for World Book Day 2018’. To do so is optional.
- The children are enjoying their Tag Rugby sessions with Olan Daly. We thank him for sharing his skill with the children. Reminder the cost is €2 per session.
- When the cold weather approaches we urge you not to travel 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 by text.
- Reminder the school is closed this Monday March 5<sup>th</sup> to facilitate staff training on Child Protection Guidelines.
- Thanks to those who ordered shamrocks. They will be distributed to the school on March 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Don’t forget to log on to the school website for up to date information on school activities. The address is [www.kanturkbns.com](http://www.kanturkbns.com)
- Don’t’ forget you can follow us on [twitter @colmansbns](https://twitter.com/colmansbns)
- Thanking you for your co-operation in the school.

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