5th November, 2013

Dear Parents,

* I hope you all had an enjoyable midterm. I would like to update you on the forthcoming events taking place in the school.
* We congratulate the Holy Communion children who had their Enrolment Mass for their First Holy Communion last Sunday November 3rd. We thank those parents who organised the children on the day.
* 5th and 6th class pupils will have the Commitment Ceremony in preparation for their Confirmation in the church on Thursday 28th November at 7.30p.m. We wish the students and teachers well as they prepare for this.
* 5th and 6th class boys will be starting their football coaching with Timmy Burke from Kanturk G.A.A. this Wednesday. We hope the boys enjoy the sessions. The other classes will be going after Christmas.
* Swimming lessons for 2nd, 3rd and 5th classes will commence this Friday November 8th and will continue for 6 weeks. If you are unable to pay the fee of €20 in one payment you may do so in weekly instalments.
* The school photographer is now coming to the school on Thursday November 14th. As you know he will be taking individual and group photographs of the children in 1st and 6th classes. Individual/family photographs from other classes may be taken on the day if requested. If you are interested please contact the school.
* The Annual Parent/Teacher Meetings will take place on Thursday November 14th and Monday November 18th. The children will be going home from school on Thursday at 2.30p.m. and normal time on Monday. Enclosed is a page for you to write your preferred day and time for the meeting. We will try to accommodate you as best we can. If these dates do not suit you please contact your class teacher as soon as possible.
* Enclosed is a brochure from the Setanta Book Club. Take the time to browse through it as there are very good bargains out there. If you are interested in purchasing a book please return the order form and money to the school by Friday November 15th. Purchase of books is completely optional.
* Our Parents’ Association are organising a fundraiser in aid of the school in December. This event involves Carol Singing with Kanturk Gospel Choir and pupils from 1st to 4th classes. The Association is holding a meeting in the school, this Thursday, November 7th at 8p.m. to discuss the plans for this event. We encourage as many people as possible to attend.
* As you know we will be starting the Food Dudes Programme in the school this Wednesday. We remind you to inform the school if you don’t want your child to take part or if they are allergic to a certain type of fruit or vegetables. We hope the children enjoy the Programme.
* As part of our Literacy Programme we are recommencing our Buddy Reading System in the school this week. Pupils from 6th, 5th and 4th classes will listen to boys in 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading. They will discuss the story together and predict what may happen next. We hope you take the time to look at your child’s reading folder and listen to him reading at home too. The boys from 3rd – 6th classes will be returning to the local library and the teachers will be taking them once a fortnight as happened last year.

We remind you to log on to the school website [www.stcolmansbnskanturk.com](http://www.stcolmansbnskanturk.com)

to see what is happening in the school.

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

Thanking you for your continued support.

Le gach dea ghuí,

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Eilish Finnegan,

Principal.

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