

Dear Parents,

Hope you are all keeping well.

We thank you for your efforts and co-operation in our mission to suppress this virus.

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

1st, 2nd & 6th classes are on their 4th week of swimming with two more sessions to go.

3rd, 4th and 5th classes are enjoying their tag rugby with William. They too have two more remaining sessions.

All classes will be participating in football coaching later on in the term, kindly organised by our local G.A.A. We thank those involved in co-ordinating these sessions and we hope the boys will enjoy them when they commence.

On March 1st and 2nd Marina Levitina a member of Heritage Council of Ireland will host a virtual school visit exploring the theme of Music of the Plants, Irish Wildflowers and trees in the Spring time forest. The children will engage in a live virtual walk in an ancient oak woodland, learning and identifying wildflowers and trees. They will engage in lots of other fun activities. We look forward to this event and hope the children really enjoy the sessions.

Our Green School Initiative had to take a break during the covid, however we are glad to say that we are back up and running again. Our 6th class boys are now the designated Green School Committee. We are working on the theme of 'Travel'. We hope to highlight the different ways people can travel to school and show the importance of reducing traffic and CO₂ emissions while also being more active. We would like to inform you about the 10 day BIG TRAVEL CHALLENGE we are embarking on starting the 7th February and finishing on 17th Feb. We are encouraging children to walk to and from school, or cycle, scoot, and park and stride. For children that cannot walk to school you may consider park and stride, you may decide to park your car at the church and walk your child to school. We will be tracking the children's mode of transport to school. We hope that this is a fun activity for the children.

6th class boys will be completing a Cycle Safety Training Course on March 3rd. This course will consist of 6 sessions with the pupils. Topics covered will include safe equipment, rules of the road and correct cycling etiquette. The children will receive a certificate of participation.

Feb. 8th is Safety Internet Day. All classes will participate in activities highlighting the importance of responsible use of the internet.

3rd and 4th class boys will be starting their artwork very shortly for the Kanturk Arts Festival. This year's theme is 'Happiness'. We look forward to seeing the finished products.

The children are enjoying their Music classes with Alan Finn. The fee for the rest of the school year is €15. If you have a problem accessing the school link you can pay your class teacher.

3rd – 6th classes will be going to the Edel Quinn Hall on March 8th to see the Musical 'Voulez Vous' (Mamma Mia) performed by T.Y. students from Scoil Treasa. We look forward to the show.

Our Confirmation date is Thursday April 29th. Times have yet to be decided. First Confession is March 8th at 7p.m. and Holy Communion is May 14th at 11a.m.

We thank you for your continued support. We encourage you to log on to the school website www.kanturkbns.com and see what is happening in the school.

Thanking you,

Le gach dea dhuit,

Eilish Finnegan

Principal.