



# School Newsletter



**Monday 2 October 2017**

## **Medical Conditions & Allergies**

Please ensure that the school is informed and kept up to date regarding medical conditions or allergies that your child may have. It is important that you bring this to the Attention of the teacher at the curriculum meeting. We also have to alert the kitchens to any child who has specific allergies with regards to food. There will be a letter which must be filed out by you at the curriculum meetings. If you are not attending the curriculum meetings it is vitally important that you let the office know if there are allergies we should be made aware of so we can update our data.

## **Photographs**

From time to time we may use your child's photograph either on our website or throughout the school etc. It is the responsibility of parents to inform us which areas they do not want their child's photo used. (A full list is available from the office).

## **P2-P6 Curriculum Meetings/ P7 Transfer**

The P2-P3 curriculum meetings will take place on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 1.15pm in the classroom**. P4-P6 will have their curriculum meetings at **2.15pm on 3<sup>rd</sup> October** also in the classrooms. These meetings are important as they allow us to advise parents on the educational plans for the year ahead. It also allows parents to ask important questions. We look forward to seeing you then. There will be no meeting for P7 pupils at this time but Mr O'Doherty will be holding a final meeting with any parents whose child is taking part in the Transfer tests in November. This will take place in Mr Kilpatrick's room at **6.00pm on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October**.

## **Parents Association**

The first meeting of the year for our Parents' Association will take place in the school on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm. This group of parents fulfil such an important role for us and already there are so many events which we are planning. We would love to see new members join us and have an input into the work of the group. The first pupil disco of the year will take place on 27<sup>th</sup> October (the last night before half term), 6.00pm-7.00pm for P1-P3 and 7.15pm-8.30pm for P4-P7. We encourage all our pupils and parents to support the school in all our ventures in the coming year.

## **Breakfast Club/Fun Club**

There are now great numbers supporting the breakfast club and fun club but we have room for more. We have extended the school day for all our pupils to help especially the working parents. There are still a lot of places for the 4.00pm-5.00pm slots each day. We would encourage as many as possible to make use of this really cheap alternative to after school care. **Breakfast Club costs £1 per day and should be paid each day.**

## **Break the Rules**

We will be having a special day of fundraising through our annual 'Break The Rules Day' on the week commencing 16<sup>th</sup> October. Please help us raise much needed funds for resources through this sponsorship. Mr O'Doherty will send out a note to explain how you can get involved in this venture later next week.

## **Bring Grandparents to School Day**

Today we had the pleasure of welcoming our P5 Grandparents to the school. They took part in many activities with the children and thanks must go to the Colin Neighborhood partnership for organizing the event. A fun day was had by all.

## **Scholastic Bookfair**

The Scholastic Bookfair will be coming to the school 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> November. As usual we hope as many of you as possible will support this project as every book sold will lead to a contribution of vouchers towards the school to purchase much needed resources.

## **Accelerated Reading**

We encourage all our P5 and P6 pupils to keep reading and undertake the various activities associated with accelerated reading programme. Remember there are prizes for the top readers and already we are seeing great gains being made by all the pupils taking part.

## **P1 Settling in Interviews**

The week before Halloween our P1 teachers will be meeting with our P1 parents on a one to one basis to catch up with them and detail the progress their child is making since beginning P1. These times will be disseminated in the coming days.

## **Childminding spaces**

Two registered child minders have contacted the school both have spaces available. Roisin 07802620612 (pick up available) & Janet 07725834930 (morning drop off available).

## **Choir**

Choir will re-commence tomorrow 3.00pm-4.00pm.

## **Eire Og Hurling training**

Training takes place every Saturday 11.00am-12.00Noon at Woodlands 4G pitch. Please contact David McGowan if you need any further information on 07871272745.