



School Closure

Tuesday 14th November - School will close @ 12noon for all pupils to facilitate staff planning.

School Uniform

Could parents ***please label*** school jumpers, tee shirts, trousers etc with your child's name. Please ensure proper uniform is worn **EVERY DAY – this is the responsibility of you as parents** and therefore unfair to children if they get into trouble for not wearing their uniform.

Car Park

As a matter of health & safety, parents are asked **NOT** to drive up the hill to the school. Please **drive SLOWLY and with caution** when entering/leaving the school grounds at all times.

October 2023

Upcoming Dates

- 16th Oct **MATHS WEEK**
- 17th Oct Story Seed Workshops
- 20th Oct Tradoodle Music Duo
- 27th Oct Halloween Dress Up Day
- 27th Oct Big Book Quiz
- 30th -3rd Nov **HALLOWEEN BREAK**
- 8th Nov Peace Proms Choir - Workshop Day
- 10th Nov Team Hope Shoe Box Collection Day
- 13th Nov Science Week
- 13th Nov Internet Safety Parent Information Meeting @ 7pm
- 14th Nov **12 noon CLOSURE** – Staff Planning
- 15th Nov Internet Safety Pupil Workshops 3rd – 6th class
- 22nd Nov J.I. Vaccinations
- 23rd Nov Parent/Teacher Meetings @ 3pm
- 26th Nov Do this in Memory Mass @ 12:15
- 13th Dec Christmas Concert – Matinee
- 14th Dec Christmas Concert – Evening Performance
- 22nd Dec **12 noon CLOSURE** – Christmas Holiday

Sundry Payments

Please could all pupil outstanding sundry payments be paid as soon as possible.





Student Council 2023/24

HSE Vaccine

HSE will be in school on 22nd Nov to deliver MMR and 4in1 vaccinations to Junior Infants. Please return consent forms as soon as possible.

Reporting Absences

Under the terms of the Education (Welfare) Act 2000 you **must** let the school know if your child is absent and the reason why. Please use the Aladdin App to inform the school. If you need any assistance myself or Gráinne are happy to help.

Student Elections

Congratulations to ALL pupils who ran for election for both Student and Green Schools Councils the effort this year was commendable. We hope to have a productive year with our newly elected committees.

Halloween Dress Up



Friday 27th

October will be a **fun** Dress-Up Day. We

encourage pupils to be creative in designing and making their own costumes

Maths Week

Keep an eye on FB to follow the fun happenings this week.

Book Festival

All classes are participating in the Monaghan County Library Book Festival. This will culminate with the Big Book Quiz on 27th Oct.



SÉ Sport

Congratulations to the 5th and 6th boys in their Cumann na mBunscol Division 2 Campaign they had a great win over Edenmore.

Swimming will conclude for 3rd-6th class on Friday 20th Oct. Swimming for 1st + 2nd class will take place in term 3.

1st + 2nd Class Blitz

GAA blitz for 1st/2nd Class in Cloghan on Thursday 26th October from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Parents welcome to attend.

Peace Proms 24

Our newly formed Peace Proms choir will have their first choir workshop in SSE Arena Belfast on Wednesday 9th November 2023 at 12:30 - 2p.m. Pupils will travel by bus to the Belfast

Story Seeds

Story Seeds is a joint project of Fighting Words, the creative writing organisation co-founded by Roddy Doyle, and Fighting Words NI, and is funded by Creative Ireland. The project will bring together schools from counties Louth, Monaghan, Donegal, Armagh, Down and Derry-Londonderry, to create new stories about where we live. A team from Fighting Words will be visiting 2nd, 4th and 6th class for a FREE workshop to write a chapter of one of the stories.

SÉ Parents' Association

For more information, please come along to their **AGM** on Thursday 9th November @ 8pm. Our PA welcomes all new members.

Attendance

Attendance for the month of September was 96.5% an improvement on last September. We continue to ask for your support in improving our school attendance for the year ahead. Good attendance and punctuality are important life skills to teach.

New School iPads

A huge thank you to our PA for their fantastic fundraising efforts last year which have facilitated the purchase of 10 new iPads and storage trolley. To further enhance the provision of iPads the school added a further 10 for use in the junior classes.

Tradoodle

A Monaghan based Traditional Arts festival for Young Children will be visiting senior infants & 1st class with a free school performance by a Finnish Folk Music Duo. We look forward to this exciting event.

Shoe Box Appeal

We will be participating in our annual Team Hope Shoe Box Appeal and boxes will be due for collection on Nov 10th. Further details via the link below <https://www.teamhope.ie/christmas-shoobox-appeal/>



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