

4. Nuachtlitir

20-10-2022

A Thuismitheoirí, a chairde,

Mid-Term Break: Closing Friday, October 28th at 3 p.m. - Reopening on Monday, November 7th

We will have a fun day on Friday, October 28th. Children are invited to dress up in their favourite costume (Halloween, favourite character from book or movie). There is no need to buy anything special, just be creative with whatever you have. As the children have been so good and worked very hard over the past eight weeks, they may also bring some treats for a class party. No nuts please!

Advanced notice: Parent-Teacher Meetings

We are planning to return to in-person Parent-Teacher meetings this year! These will take place on Tuesday November 29th (3.15 p.m. - 5.30 p.m.) and Thursday December 1st (3.15 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.). More details after mid-term.

Sponsored Walk Parents' Association

Thanks to everyone who participated and supported the recent walk on Corrin. The amount raised was €2,808.

The Parents' Association have organised a Halloween Movie Day for Sunday, October 30th at 2 p.m. in the Youth Centre Fermoy; See the Parents Association Facebook Page for booking details.

Parking in the Community park at 3 p.m. collection time

Parents/childminders are encouraged to park in the community car park at the rear of the school when collecting pupils at 3 p.m. We will continue to open the back gate for the pupils, and parents/childminders can meet them at the gate. Please ensure that your child knows that he/she should exit through the back gate. If more parents/childminders park in this car park it will alleviate the congestion on the Garrynacole road and the area around the roundabout.

Healthy eating

Well done to all the boys and girls on their efforts to increase the amount of fruit and vegetables in lunch boxes. Just a reminder again - treats should be limited to one small item from the top shelf of the food pyramid on a Friday only. Thank you for your cooperation and support in the promotion of healthy eating in the school.

Comhghairdeas

Congratulations and well done to all the boys and girls who participated in the East Cork Cross Country Competition recently.

Congratulations also to the girls who won the U12 Juvenile Camogie Final and to the boys on their success in the Gerard Kenny Blitz last weekend.

Maith sibh a pháistí!

Information on Halloween Safety

Garda John Noonan will talk to pupils in 5th and 6th class about staying safe at Halloween on Tuesday, October 25th.

Fundraising

This term we will be supporting the Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal. Team Hope work to help children affected by poverty by sending thousands of gift-filled shoeboxes to children in Eastern Europe and Africa every year. We are asking families to donate one item from the list below for the Christmas Shoebox Appeal. The donated items will be collected from the school by members of Team Hope and the donations will be used to fill shoe boxes. Donations for the Christmas Shoebox Appeal can be brought to school any day next week. The final day for donations will be next Friday, October 28th.

Team Hope ask that you choose an item from one of the 4 WS to donate...

- **Wash:** toothbrush, toothpaste, soap (wrapped), hairbrush, comb, facecloth.
- **Wear:** Socks, underwear (new), hat/scarf, gloves, flip flops, t-shirts
- **Write:** Paper/Copy books, colouring books, pens/pencils, crayons, sharpeners, erasers
- **Wow!:** Skipping rope, yo-yo, sweets (in date until April next year), musical instrument, cuddly toy (if pre-owned please ensure it is washed before donating), doll, ball, sunglasses, toy car.

Team Hope ask that you please do not donate: liquids (shampoo, bubbles), sharp objects, food/chocolate, books with lots of words, scary items (Halloween, war related, masks, toy snakes), breakables or medicines.

Dates for your diary:

Coláiste an Chraoibhín Open Night	Monday, 24th October at 6.30 p.m
Loreto Open Night	Thursday, 27th October at 6 p.m.
Rescheduled School Photographer (County Photos) for Junior Infants and 6th Class	Monday, 21st November

Board of Management Meeting 17/10/2022

The agreed report for parents and staff is as follows:

- The board approved the revised Anti- Bullying Policy, available to view on our website.
- Parents are encouraged to park in the community car park at the 3 p.m. hometime to alleviate parking problems and traffic congestion on the Garrynacole road.

Enjoy the break!
Mairéad Uí Íomhair.