

## 5. Nuachtlitir

26-10-2023

A Thuismitheoirí, a chairde,

### Halloween Fun day

Just a reminder that children are invited to dress up in their favourite costume (Halloween, favourite character from book or movie) tomorrow, Friday October 27th.

There is no need to buy anything special, just be creative with whatever you have.

They may also bring some treats for a class party. No nuts please!

We ask the children to bring a donation (€2) for the Parents' Association. This money will be used to support extracurricular student activities throughout the year.

### Donations for Team Hope

We will be supporting the Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal again this year. Team Hope is an Irish, Christian, International Development Charity working to help children affected by poverty in Eastern Europe and Africa. Team Hope works to bring positive long term change through their annual Christmas Shoebox Appeal and Sustainable Development projects. To find out more please go to their website [www.teamhope.ie](http://www.teamhope.ie)

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 after the mid-term break. The final day for donations will be Wednesday, November 15th.

Team Hope ask that you choose an item from one of the 4 W's 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 asks 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.

## **Parents' Association Calendar Photos**

The Parents' Association has organised for Michelle from Little Milestones Photography to take photos for the calendar on Wednesday, November 8th (see poster attached).

**It is important that you have given permission for your child to be photographed. If you have not completed the consent on Aladdin yet, please do so before Tuesday November 7th. Children without parental consent cannot be included in the photographs.**

Please see themes below for each month (birthday month). Could you please make sure your child has appropriate clothing/props with them on the day.

<b><u>MONTH</u></b>	<b><u>THEME</u></b>	<b><u>IDEAS</u></b>
January	Winter	White Tops / Woolly Hats / Scarves / Faux Fur
February	Valentines	Pink / Red / Hearts
March	St. Patrick's Day	Green / White / Gold / Shamrocks
April	Easter	Yellow / Eggs / Baskets / Flowers
May	Sports	Jerseys / Sportswear / Footballs / Hurleys Etc
June	Schools Out!	Lots Of Colour! Props Will Be Provided
July	Beach	Summer Clothes / T-shirts and Shorts / Buckets and Spades / Sunglasses and Hats
August	Friendship	Multicoloured Tops and We Will Create Props
September	Back To School	School Uniforms / Tracksuits / Schoolbags / We Will Provide Props
October	Halloween	Masks / Costumes / Hats Etc
November	Rainy Day	Umbrellas / Wellies / Raincoats
December	Christmas	Santa Hats / Tinsel / Reindeer / Christmas Jumpers / Tops

Enjoy the break!

Mairéad Uí Íomhair.