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25th April, 2022.

Dear Parents,

<u>School Closure</u> The school will be closed on **Monday 2nd May** for the May Bank Holiday.

<u>Confessions</u> Fr Brendan will have First Confessions for our Holy Communion students on **Friday 6th May** in Cootehall Church after 10 a.m. Mass. The students from 2nd Class will be having a practice for their First Holy Communion in St. Michael's Church, Cootehall every Friday from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. The students will walk to and from the Church, weather permitting and should wear high vis vests. First Holy Communion for the second class students will take place on **Sunday 29th May at 1.30 p.m.** in Cootehall Church.

<u>Standardised Testing</u> Standardised testing for 1st to 6th class students will take place in the school the week beginning **Monday 16th May**, 2022.

<u>G.A.A.</u> Training Stephen Bohan will be starting G.A.A. training with 2^{nd} to 6^{th} Class students on Thursday mornings, weather permitting.

<u>Hurling/Camogie</u> Neil Desmond and Prionsias Killion continue Hurling/Camogie training with 3^{rd} to 6^{th} Class students on Tuesdays.

<u>R.S.E.</u> The teachers will continue to cover the R.S.E. element and Stay Safe Programme of the S.P.H.E. curriculum with all the students in this term. If you have any queries regarding this, please feel free to contact your child's class teacher.

<u>Cycling Training Programme</u> The students from 5th and 6th Class are taking part in a Cycling Training Programme in conjunction with Roscommon Sports Partnership, starting with a classroom lecture on **Thursday April 28th**. The students will learn the skills of safe cycling. There is no need for the students to bring their bicycles to school on that day.

<u>Art/Science Workshop</u> The students from 5^{th} and 6^{th} Class continue their Art/Science Workshop with Anna Macleod, Artist in Residence for two more Wednesdays.

<u>Creative Writing Workshop</u> The students from 5^{th} and 6^{th} Class are taking part in a Creative Writing Workshop on Friday 6^{th} May with Mary Branley, Artist in Residence.

<u>Music Generation</u> The Music Generation programme continues for the Junior/Senior Infants and First Class students for the remainder of the school year. We are asking for a contribution of epsilon10 per student. This contribution can be paid through the online system Way2Pay here-thank-you-to-those-who have already-paid this money-to-the-school.

<u>Absence Form</u> If your child is absent from school for any reason all parents/guardians must complete an Absence Form. Please complete the absence note which is located in the centre of your child's Homework Notebook or click here for the online Absence Form.

<u>Voluntary Contribution 2021/22</u> The school are requesting a contribution of €40 per pupil for this school year. This amount goes towards the cost of School Book Rental Scheme, Online subscriptions, homework notebook, art supplies, photocopying and Pupil Personal Accident Insurance. This contribution can be paid through the online system Way2Pay here. Thank you to those who have already paid this money to the school.

Yours sincerely,

Cian Duffy Principal.