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4<sup>th</sup> April, 2022.

Dear Parents,

**Easter Holidays** The school will close at 12.30 p.m. on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April** for the Easter Holidays. Buses have been re-arranged to collect the students at this time. The school will re-open for the third term on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April**.

**Confirmation** Congratulations to the sixth class students who received the sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April.

**First Confession/First Holy Communion** First Confession for 2nd class students will take place on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May** in Cootehall Church after 10 a.m. Mass. The students from 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 29<sup>th</sup> May** in Cootehall Church.

**Safer Internet Use** Garda Tanya Duffy will be coming to the school on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April to talk to 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> class students about Bullying and Cyber Bullying.

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

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

**Music Generation** 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 **€10 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.

**Hurling/Camogie** Neil Desmond and Prionsias Killion started Hurling/Camogie training with 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Class students last Tuesday and will continue every Tuesday for six weeks.

**G.A.A. Training** After Easter, Stephen Bohan will be starting G.A.A. training with 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Class students on Thursday mornings, weather permitting.

**Teaching Placement** Laura Martin is on teaching placement in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Class from 21<sup>st</sup> March to 8th April. We wish her all the best.

**Absence Form** 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.

**Enrolment for 2022/23 School Year** Enrolment for the 2022/2023 school year is taking place in the school. For more details please see our school website [www.cootehallns.com](http://www.cootehallns.com) or contact the Principal's Office in the school - phone no. 071-9667264.

**Voluntary Contribution 2021/22** 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.