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9th December, 2022.

Dear Parents,

School Closure The school will close at **12.30 p.m.** on **Monday 12th December** to facilitate Inservice Training for the teachers for the Primary Language Curriculum. Buses have been re-arranged to collect the students at this time.

Christmas To celebrate Christmas we will be having a "Christmas Day" in the school on **Wednesday 21st December** and the students can wear their Christmas Jumpers instead of their uniform jumpers on this day, if they wish.

The school will close at **12.30 p.m** on **Wednesday 21st December** for the Christmas holidays. The school will re-open on **Thursday January 5th** at 9.30 a.m. for our second term. The school buses have been re-arranged to collect the students at 12.30 p.m. on the final day of term.

There is no breakfast club or afterschool service available on Monday 12th and Wednesday 21st December.

Christmas Mass Fr. Brendan will be celebrating the School Christmas Mass on **Wednesday 21st December at 10.15 a.m.** in Cootehall Church. The school bus will bring the Junior Infants, Senior Infants and 1st Class to and from the Church. The students from 2nd to 6th Class will walk to and from the Church, weather permitting and should wear high vis vests.

Swimming Lessons Swimming lessons for Mr. Conboy's and Ms. McLoughlin's class will start in Aura Leitrim Leisure, Carrick-on-Shannon on **Tuesday 10th January** and will run every Tuesday for 6 weeks. The total cost per pupil is €54.00 for six weeks (€4.00 for Swimming Lesson and €5.00 for bus hire per week) and the remainder will be paid by school funds. This payment can be made after Christmas through the online system way2pay.

Shoe Box Appeal Congratulations to all the students who collected **73 boxes** for the shoe box appeal. Well done!

Science Week Science week in the school was as usual great fun. Loads of interesting science was shared in the classrooms. Well done to 4th, 5th & 6th class for putting on a Science Fair, the students from the other classes really enjoyed seeing the many amazing experiments.

Enrolment for 2023/24 School Year Enrolment for the 2023/24 school year is taking place from Thursday 5th to Monday 16th January 2023. For more details please see our school website www.cootehallns.com or contact the Principal's Office in the school - phone no. 071-9667264.

Soccer Soccer training continues on Wednesday weather permitting for Ms. McLoughlin's Class, Mr. Duffy's Class and Ms. Gilhooly's Class.

GAA GAA training with St. Michael's Coaches continues on Friday weather permitting for Mr. Conboy's Class and Ms. McLoughlin's Class.

Gardening Lazlo from Knockvicar Organic Centre will be coming to our school on Tuesday to continue gardening with our students in Mr. Duffy's Class and Mr. Conboy's Class.

First Holy Communion First Holy Communion will take place on **Saturday 20th May at 11:30 a.m. in Cootehall Church.**

Confirmation will be held on **Wednesday 3rd May at 11.00 a.m. in Cootehall Church.**

Contact Details If there is any change in your contact details, please let the school know so we can update our data base. Click [here](#) for the contact details form.

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.

Wishing everyone a happy, safe and peaceful Christmas and best wishes for 2023.

Yours sincerely,

Cian Duffy

Principal.