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26th February, 2024.

Dear Parents,

<u>School Closures</u> The school will be closed on **Monday 18th March for St. Patrick's Day**. The school will also be closed on **Friday 8th March** as it will be used as a polling station for the upcoming Referendum.

<u>Staff Meeting</u> The school will close at 2.10 p.m. next Monday 4th March as staff are having a staff meeting. Buses have been re-arranged to come at this time. Afterschool services are available as normal.

<u>World Book Day</u> World Book Day is on **Thursday 7**th **March**. We look forward to all the students dressing up as their favourite characters in their books. World Book Day Vouchers will be given to the children on that day.

<u>Craft Fair</u> There will be a Craft Fair in the school on Tuesday 19th March from 6p.m. - 8 p.m. More details to follow.

<u>Chess</u> Best wishes to all our Chess players taking part in the Chess Competition in Gael Scoil Liatroma tomorrow.

<u>Seachtain na Gaeilge</u> Our senior students are busy working on their Irish plays. We look forward to seeing them in the school during Seachtain na Gaeilge.

<u>Swimming Lessons</u> Swimming lessons for pupils in First and Second Class will start in Aura Leitrim Leisure, Carrick-on-Shannon on Tuesday 5^{th} March and will run every Tuesday for 4 weeks. The total cost per pupil is $\[\le \]$ 36.00 for four weeks ($\[\le \]$ 4.00 for Swimming Lesson and $\[\le \]$ 5.00 for bus hire per week) and the remainder will be paid by school funds. This contribution can be paid through the online system Way2Pay $\[\text{here} \]$

<u>Music Generation</u> Padraig from Music Generation continues teaching our students the ukulele, banjo and guitar in Ms. Brennan/Ms. Conroy's Class, Mr. Conboy's Class and Mr. Duffy's Class for the remainder of the school year. We are asking for a contribution of $\\ensuremath{\in} 15$ per student for fifteen lessons. This contribution can be paid through the online system Way2Pay here remainder of the fees will be paid by the school.

<u>Tennis Lessons</u> All classes started Tennis Lessons on Thursday 22nd February with Tennis Instructor Tim Clarke and will continue every Thursday for five weeks. The total cost of these lessons are €5.00 per student. This contribution can be paid through the online system Way2Pay here The remainder of the fees will be paid by the school.

Soccer: Soccer training continues on Wednesday's weather permitting for 3rd to 6th Class.

<u>G.A.A.</u> Training Tadhg O'Connor, Club Development Officer continues G.A.A. training with Junior Infants to 6th Class students on Friday and also for Ms. Gilhooly Class on Wednesday afternoon, weather permitting.

<u>First Holy Communion</u> First Holy Communion will take place on **Saturday 11th May at 12 noon in** Cootehall Church.

Confirmation will be held on Tuesday 30th April at 11.00 a.m. in Croghan Church.

<u>Contact Details</u> 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.

<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 <u>here</u> for the online Absence Form.

Well done to all our students who took part in Scor na bPaisti and Community Games activities over the weekend. It was great to see all the medals in school today.

Yours sincerely,

Cian Duffy Principal.