



Good Morning Parents/Guardians,

Wishing you all an Eggcellent Easter Break.

The main events since February Mid-Term have been:

- On 2nd of March our U13 boys played in the Primary 5s and topped their group qualifying for the County Final in BT Harps in Templemore on Tuesday 28th of April.



- On 11th of March our girls played in the Primary 5s and also topped their group qualifying for their County Final in BT Harps in Templemore on Wednesday 29th of April.



- World Book Day was celebrated on Thursday 6th March. The children dressed up and brought in their favourite books for 'Show and Tell' and took part in Buddy reading of mixed age groups.
- The Sacrament of First Reconciliation was celebrated by Fr. Joe on 3rd of March – we have 13 pupils making First Holy Communion this year. Huge thanks to Ms. Byrne for all her work preparing the children and to Ms. Sheila Maher for her assistance with the choir. The First Communion will be on Saturday 16th of May in Dunkerrin Church at 11am.
- For **Lá Féile Pádraig** the children wore green on Friday 13th of March and gathered together for Tráth na gCeist.
- On Friday 20th of March we celebrated World Down Syndrome Day by wearing odd and colourful socks to school.
- Thanks to all the teachers, Denis Dwyer & Andy Hoolan for all the after school and in school hurling coaching. This week our U11 Girls teams competed in their Cumann na mBunscoil blitz on a very wet day in Moneygall GAA pitch. Our U11 Boys and U13 Girls and Boys teams will also be out after Easter so keep up the hurling practise!

After Easter we have a few things on the Calendar that you might note:

- We will be starting every Monday morning with a Yoga class from Monday 13th of April facilitated by Siobhán O'Leary for 6 weeks for all pupils.
- The Confirmation Retreat will be held on Wednesday 15th of April and the Confirmation is in Moneygall Church on Saturday 18th of April. All parents and pupils from 2nd Class up are welcome to join the Choir. Choir Practise is on Thursday evenings at 8pm. Many Thanks to Elaine Kennedy for her support with the Choir.
- Willie Jones and our Board of Management are organising a Poker Classic in Ollie Hayes' Bar at 6pm on Sunday 19th of April We need 8 Spot Prizes on the night and would appreciate any donations of a bottle or chocs from parents. All money raised on the night will go towards our Astro Turf fundraising.
- Tennis Lessons with Dermot Shields from Birr Wilmur & Nenagh Lawn Tennis Club have been booked for all pupils for four weeks from May.
- School Uniform - On sunny days (please God they will come again) children can wear shorts to school but we ask that these shorts are plain and black and to the knee.
- The Book Fair will be coming to the school on Thursday 16th of April for one week. Please click on this link if you would like to view some of the books available for purchase <https://bookfairs.scholastic.ie/bookcases>.
- Our next Clothes Collection is scheduled for Wednesday 15th of May 2026. Please remember us if you are putting away or dispensing of your winter wardrobe or unwanted clothes, boots, bags, bedding you might put a few things aside for the school!!! All funds raised goes towards the procurement of new novel bunches for the school.
- A healthy week has been organised by Food Dudes in May. During this week every pupil in the school will receive a sample pack of fruit and veg each day and our Junior Infants will receive a new fruit lunch box.



- Our school tours have been organised - The Junior Tour (Juniors to 2nd Class) will be to Castlecomer Discovery Park in Co. Kilkenny on Wednesday 17th of June. The Senior Tour (3rd to 6th Class) will be to Lilliput Adventure Centre on the shores of Lough Ennell in Co. Westmeath on Monday 15th of June.

Ba mhaith linn anseo

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a sheoladh chugaibh.

Tá súil againn go mbainfidh sibh taitneamh agus tairbhe as na laethanta saoire.

