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Standardised Tests

Testing Week takes place on the week beginning May 25th. The tests will take place on Tuesday, 26th, Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th.

It is really important that your daughter is in attendance on these days to complete all her Standardised Testing as requested by the Department of Education and Skills.

Anti-Bullying Week 2015 this week

Please take note of the information overleaf about a talk for parents on Tuesday next, May 12th.

Parents' Notice Board

Parents' Association

Congratulations to this year's very successful Parents' Association who organised our Sponsored Walk on March 27th.

The new approach this year to have the walk during a school day was a great idea. It enabled every student to take part and they all agreed they loved the idea of all 270 girls and staff members completing the walk together. It was also excellent publicity for the school.

We wish to thank all the parents who helped with the organisation of the walk, the prizes for the children's art work, the refreshments on the day and those who counted and banked the money.

There was €2,180 profit. Together with the €1,000 donated to the school in March, the Parents' Association have donated a total of €5,500 to school funds this year.

We will use this money for:

Tour Buses
Art Materials
Station Teaching Resources

The Parents' Association also paid for the travelling theatre company who presented "Oisín in Tír na nÓg" to the whole school on Wednesday, April 22nd.



First Communion

Congratulations to all the girls in second class, who made their First Holy Communion in St. Macarthur's Cathedral last Saturday, May 2nd. Although the weather was against us, the ceremony was beautiful and the girls were so well behaved, we were all very proud of them.

Thanks very much to Miss Brady and Miss O' Reilly who did a wonderful job preparing the girls for this very special occasion.

The fifth and sixth class girls who provided the choir were also wonderful and their singing added so much to the ceremony. Thanks very much to Mrs

Gallagher who prepared them in advance and worked very hard with them in the lead up to Saturday. A special word of thanks to Muireann Harraghy who provided the harp accompaniment and to Mr. Gerard Toal for the very professional piano accompaniment.

Thanks to Mrs Healy for the beautiful flower arrangements, to Fr. Paddy McGinn for celebrating the Mass and for his constant support of the school, to Claudine Marron, Parish Sacramental Assistant, to Mrs Flynn for her colourful tree, to Stephen for transporting the trees up and down to the church, and to

Ms Mullen for all the office support.

A special thank you to all the parents who made such an effort to present the girls so beautifully, and to Matthew McEnaney and Claire Sheridan from the Parents' Association who helped us on the day.



Sports

Gaelic

The Gaelic squad are presently taking part in the Cumann na mBunscol Gaelic competition. They had a tough match against Gael Scoil Ultain on April 22nd and two very close matches against Urbleshanny NS and Castleblaney GNS on April 29th and May 6th. We are very grateful to Mr. Paul Mc Geown for giving of his time on a voluntary basis to coach the team and attend all the matches.

Our hard working Gaelic Squad is made up of the

following girls: Sophie Callen, Leah Maguire, Louise Mc Ginnity, Sara Stana, Niamh Power, Gránia Curran, Jeanne Alexis, Kendra Fagan, Megan O' Leary, Sian Mc Guinness, Elly Lou Bradley, Sophie Daly, Niamh Flynn, Hazel Mc Morrow and Mia Flynn



Local Gaelic Coach, Colm Malone, is taking 4th, 5th and 6th class every Thursday for Gaelic Training.



Tennis

Gary Rodriguez is taking all classes from 3rd to 6th for tennis lessons for 6 weeks until May 20th.

Active Events

Another Active Event took place on Friday, May 1st, with all the classes taking part in Activity Relays and Relay Races. There will be two more Active Events this year, a walk and a picnic in May, and a disco in June.

Running Trials

The running trials to pick our Athletics Squad take place this week and next week organised by Miss Brady and Mrs Treanor.



Dates to Remember

5th to the 12th May— Anti-Bullying Week

13th May -Recycling Collection

May 21st – Ceremony of Light at 7.30pm in St. Macartan's Cathedral

May 22nd—Referendum. The school will be closed.

May 23rd – Confirmation at 11 am in St. Macartan's Cathedral

May 27th – Track and Field Running in Clones Peace Links at 6pm

June 4th – Second Class Enrolment at 7.30pm

June 18th - 6th Class Graduation at 8pm

June 23rd - Board of Management and Parents' Association Meeting at 8pm

June 26th—School Closing for Summer Holidays at 12.25 pm

Anti-Bullying Week

Wednesday, May 6th, began Anti-Bullying Week in our school. We have sent you a list of activities taking place during the week.

We want to encourage you to attend the “Positive Parenting” talk next Tuesday, May 12th at 7.30 pm. This talk has been delivered around the county by David and Helen and has proved very popular by the large number of parents who have heard it. It deals with positive parenting in a child's education, emotional and mental health wellbeing, the impact of bullying on your child's development and how to deal with it. Please keep this night free.