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Dear Parents,

12th April 2022

"Guess the sweets in the Jar 2022"

This competition created a lot of enthusiasm among our pupils this year, Congratulations to the winner with the correct guess, **Elsie in the Foundation Stage.**

Congratulations to the winner of the large Easter Egg sponsored by "The Port Bar" in Mountnorris, **Niall in Key Stage 1.**

Congratulations to the winners of the Class Eggs who are:

Lena in Foundation, Mollie S in Key Stage 1 & Ciara in Key Stage 2.

The money raised from the "Guess the sweets in the Jar 2022" competition and the children's donations to the Trocaire Boxes was a total of **£200.00**. Thank you for your generosity and support, all the money raised will be donated to Trocaire.

Cycling Proficiency Scheme

We are inviting our Primary 6 and 7 pupils to participate in the Cycling Proficiency Scheme in Term 3. Cycling is a fun and great way to get around and stay fit but it is important that children are trained to cycle safely and have an understanding of the associated road safety issues. The Cycling Proficiency Scheme's aim is to teach children how to ride their bicycles safely and learn important road safety skills. The Scheme is a combination of practical and theoretical aspects and pupil competence is measured through a final test in June. The Scheme will be led by Mr Mc Cann each Monday from 1.30pm to 2.30pm, on the school grounds, beginning on Monday 25th April and finishing on Monday 20th June. All pupils participating need to bring their bicycles and helmets into school each Monday, the first lesson will involve a "Bicycle Safety Check", which will involve checking Brakes, Tyres, Bells etc.

If you would like your child to participate in this Cycling Scheme please sign the permission slip attached.

COVID 19

There are currently no changes to our Covid 19 protocols, however, DENI have informed schools that new Guidance will be published after Easter 2022.

We should be able to advise you of our updated Covid arrangements in our May Newsletter. Please continue to contact the school if your child tests positive for Covid.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation

Fr. Murphy has confirmed the following arrangements in relation to the upcoming ceremonies of First Holy Communion and Confirmation:

First Holy Communion

Attendance is restricted to 5 people Maximum per household – This includes the Parents, Child receiving Holy Communion. Pews are limited to 5 people.

Confirmation

Attendance is restricted to 5 people Maximum per household – This includes the Child receiving the Sacrament. Pews are limited to 5 people.

Each Child will need to have their sponsor with them, this may be a Parent or someone else however the total people from each family must be only 5.

A Sponsor should be Catholic and age 16 or over and have made their own Confirmation.

Please find the schedule of activities and events for the Summer Term 2022:

Monday 25 th April 2022	School re-opens for the Summer Term P6 & 7 Cycling Proficiency Scheme-1.30-2.30pm
Tuesday 26 th April – Tuesday 14 th June 2022	Healthy Kidz Coaching resumes for Term 3, cost per pupil is £12.00 for this Term on the Healthy Kidz App. (A total of 8 weeks)
Friday 29 th April- Friday 17 th June 2022	The Relax Kids Programmes resumes for Term 3, cost per pupil is £7.00 for this Term, paid to Nicola. (A total of 7 weeks)
Friday 29 th April- Friday 17 th June 2022	Primary 4 to Primary 7 Swimming lessons begin for Term 3 @ 11:15am-11:45am each week- <u>Price per pupil will be confirmed after Easter</u>
Monday 2 nd May 2022	May Bank Holiday (School Closed)
Sunday 8 th May 2022	The Sacrament of First Holy Communion in St. Teresa's Church, Tullyherron at 1pm.
Sunday 15 th May 2022	The Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Teresa's Church, Tullyherron at 1pm.
Monday 23 rd May 2022	The Gary Toner Gaelic Blitz in Belleeks GAA Grounds at 10.00am to 12noon.
Thursday 2 nd & Friday 3 rd June 2022	June Bank Holiday (School Closed)
Monday 6 th June 2022	The Loughgilly Gaelic Tournament in St. Killian's GAA Grounds, Whitecross at 10am to 12noon.

Tuesday 7 th June 2022	<p><u>Trip is to Funtasia in Drogheda</u></p> <p>Primary 4 to Primary 7 pupils end of year trip is to Funtasia in Drogheda. Pupils will leave school at 8.30am and return at 5.00pm. All pupils need to take a light snack, swimming gear, wear their own clothes and take Euros for shopping in the Apple-Green Centre.</p> <p>The cost of the trip is £25.00, this includes a hot lunch and must be paid by Monday 6th June.</p>
Tuesday 14 th June 2022	<u>Our Annual Sports Day</u>
Wednesday 22 nd June 2022	St. Paul's High School P7 Transition Day
Thursday 23 rd June 2022	<p><u>Trip is to Fort Evergreen, Warrenpoint</u></p> <p>Reception to Primary 3 School Trip to Fort Evergreen, Warrenpoint</p> <p>Pupils will leave school at 9.00am and return at 2.30pm, they need to bring a packed lunch and wear their P.E. Track Suit. The cost of the trip is £12.00 and must be paid by Monday 20th June.</p>
Monday 27 th June 2022	Reception and Primary 1 Induction Meetings
Thursday 30 th June 2022	Summer Holidays begin at 10.30am

Thank you for your support and co-operation, please contact the school if you have any queries and keep up to date with school events via our school website and Seesaw.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of all the staff to wish you all a relaxing and enjoyable Easter Break.

Yours Faithfully,
Sinead Mc Court