

# COGAR!

Friday 03<sup>rd</sup> May 2018

## School Starts At 9, Be On Time!

### Reminder - May Holiday

School will be closed from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May for the May holiday. School re-opens on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 9am. Bus drivers have been informed of this.

### 5k event

Thank you to the families and community members who joined us for our 5k event on Tuesday evening. We appreciate everyone who made an effort to come out on such a wet evening.

Thank you to the staff who helped on the night, to Herbie and Teresa from Letterkenny Athletics club for helping us to organise and run the event and to Michael Murphy for kindly sponsoring the trophies.

### Gaeilgeoir na Seachtaine:

Comhghairdeas le Adamas i Rang Verity, le Kayla i rang Louise, le Chris i rang Rachel, le Matthew i rang Jennifer, le William i rang Barbara, le Olivier i rang Ciara, le Saoirse i rang Nakita agus le Timothy i rang Paul.

### PSA

All parents/guardians are members of our school community and are therefore automatically members of the PSA. You are **needed** and welcome to get actively involved at any time and to attend monthly meetings. Email address is [letnspsa2017@gmail.com](mailto:letnspsa2017@gmail.com)

### Transport Flag Celebration

Last Thursday Alya, Kinga, Mairéad and Barbara went to the Radisson Hotel to collect our

Transport Flag. They then proudly brought it back to school where they presented it to all the children in assembly.

### Junior Infant Induction Day

This year the induction programme for new Junior Infant pupils will be divided into two sessions.

- An information session for parents only will be held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June from 7pm - 8pm in the school.
- The induction day for the new Junior infant pupils will be held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June between 1pm and 2.30pm in the school and we are delighted to welcome all new families to our school. This will be a drop-in session for the new pupils and their parents to allow them to meet with the class teacher and to spend some time in their new classroom.
- The current junior and senior infants will finish at 12.10pm on this day.

In the past a number of parents have volunteered for the evening session to meet the new parents and to help with teas and coffees. It also allows the parents of our new pupils to meet with some of the current parents in our school. Please let Áine or Lisa know if you would be available to help out for the hour.

### Hair cut Fundraising event

We raised a massive €4022.80 from our fundraising event that we held before the Spring Break. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this event. The money will be used to buy a defibrillator for the school and to provide training to staff.

We will also be working with Catriona to make a donation to support people who are undergoing treatment for cancer and will keep you updated on this.

### May Birthdays

Cullan  
Ethan  
Austin  
Joshua O'Neill  
Asme  
Francis  
Maria C  
Zana  
Andrew  
Amina  
Caragh  
Bailey  
Ryan P  
Mohammed (6<sup>th</sup> class)  
Timothy  
Bailey

### New Child Protection Guidelines

New Child Protection Guidelines have been introduced for all schools. In line with these new guidelines our 'Child Safeguarding Statement' is now available on the school website.

As the area of Child Protection is a high priority the Department of Education is currently providing training for all schools on this new curriculum. Part of this programme will involve one full day school closure to allow staff to access training.

**The training day for staff will be held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2018. School will be open for staff only on this day. Therefore the children will return to school on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June (school is closed on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> due to the June bank holiday).**