

COGAR!

Friday 08th November 2019

School Starts At 9, Be On Time!

Parent-Teacher meetings will be held on Thursday 21st November in the school all. The children will finish school at 12pm on this day.

The first parent-teacher appointments will be scheduled from 12.30pm. Letters will be sent home on Friday with your appointment time.

Assembly

'Every Day Counts' - this was the theme of our assembly today. Over the month of November we will be chatting to the children about the important of attending school every day.

Áine and the children talked about why it is important to come to school and what happens if children miss lots of school. The children discussed how they feel when they are absent for a few days and how it can be difficult sometimes if you miss important learning.

They also talked about the responsibility of parents and adults to make sure that children are attending school and that everyone at school wants to work hard to make sure that the children feel safe at school.

Fun Friday

Fun Friday for next week is 'pyjama day'.

Home School community Liaison (HSCL)

Happy Friday everyone! Just a few announcements this week:

Junior Infant workshops: We are holding 3 workshops over the next few weeks for the adults of the Infant classes. They will focus

on reading, writing and maths with your child. The **yellow slips must be returned** to ensure we have enough people interested. The reading workshop will be held on Tuesday 19th 6:00-7:00pm, Wednesday 20th 12:40-1:40pm.

Family Friday: Our next Family Friday will be held on the **29th of November**. All family members are welcome to come into school and visit their child/childrens classes. This is open from Junior Infants to 6th class. We will be hosting a tea/coffee morning from 9:00-9:30am and then the adults are free to visit the classes from 9:30-10:00am. We hope to see you all there!

6th class information:

A **letter has been sent home** with all available information about Secondary school important dates. Please check the information for the schools your child is interested in.

Positive phone calls:

The positive phone calls initiative has started this year again! The teachers choose 3 or 4 children each month and ring home to share some wonderful news about what your child has been doing in school. This is a lovely way of **celebrating your child** following the high 5 rules in school!

If you have any queries or questions you can contact me at hscl@letterkennyetns.ie
Lisa ☺

Board of Management Elections

Thank you to all the parents who attended the meeting on Thursday evening to elect our new parent representatives for the Board of Management.

We would like to congratulate Julia McCauley and Danny McFadden who have been elected for the new Board of Management, which will be constituted in December.

We would also like to say a massive thank you to Tina Clarke and Barry O'Neill for all they have contributed to the school community over the last number of years.

children love spending time in the school library and all books are put to great use here! Any donations can be left to the school office.

Thanks

Cold Weather

As the weather turns colder it is really important that the children are coming to school with appropriate coats and footwear. Unless there is very heavy rain the children go outside every day so it is important that they bring coats with them.

Lost Property

Lost Property is overflowing with coats, jackets, body warmers, hats etc. Please check if you are picking up or dropping off.

Parking/Drop off

Concerns have been raised that some of our parents/guardians are not following the correct procedures when dropping off or collecting children.

We would like to remind everyone that the area closest to the school is for buses only and the second lay-by area is for drop off only. If you wish you walk your child into school please park in the car park.

We are also trying to ensure that all children and adults use the pedestrian crossing when coming to and from school and would appreciate your support with this.

Book Donations

We are trying to increase the number of books that we have available to the children in our school library and the PSA are kindly supporting us with this. We would appreciate any donations of books in good condition. In order to help us organise this we will be asking for donations of books over the coming weeks.

This week we would love any books that would be suitable for Junior or Senior Infants. The