

COGAR!

Friday 09th February 2018

School Starts At 9, Be On Time!

The school will be closed on Thursday 15th and Friday 16th February for our Mid-Term break. Bus drivers have been told about this closure.

Official Opening of the new school

The official opening of the new school will be on Friday 23rd February at 12pm. The Minister for Education, Richard Bruton, will be in attendance at the official opening.

All parents/guardians will receive an invitation to the opening and along with some other members of the community. This event will not be open to the general public and will be by invitation only.

More details will follow in the coming weeks but we are so excited about this event which will be a historic day in the life of our school.

Operation Transformation

This week was all about 'teamwork' in Letterkenny ETNS. Once again we had so many wonderful volunteers who came into school to share their experiences of working as part of a team.

We had representatives from the Fire Service, the Army, Na Gardaí, the North West Special Olympics Club, Declan from Aura, Jessica from Zona Dance and contestants from Ireland's fittest family!!

Our friends from Ballyraine also joined us for some fun activities. It was a busy week!

Thanks also to Declan Gallagher (strength and conditioning coach) from Donegal Physiotherapy

and Performance Centre who organised a visit for 4th class to their wonderful gym facility. Declan showed the children lots of the equipment and how to use it safely. He was very impressed by the pull ups that the children were able to perform and by their efforts at pushing the sleds! Thanks Declan.

Assembly

Thank you to Lisa for taking assembly this morning as Áine was out with 4th class. Some pupils from all the different teams in the school spoke to the children this morning. They gave us examples of all of the teamwork that they are involved in and some of the activities that they do in school. Thanks everyone.

Gaeilgeoir na Seachtaine:

Comhghairdeas le Alessia i Rang Verity, le Evie i rang Louise, le Abigail i rang Rachel, le Davin i rang Jennifer, le Samuel i rang Barbara, le Milena i rang Ciara, le Latifa i rang Nakita agus le Aoibh i rang Paul.

Sponsored Walk

Our 3K sponsored walk will take place on Monday 12th of February at 9.30am. Family members are welcome to walk with the children and staff. Can everyone please remember to wear warm outdoor clothing/coat and appropriate footwear (runners). Also can all sponsor sheets and any sponsor money be sent in on Monday too. Many thanks to all who have sponsored a child, your efforts are much appreciated. We are looking forward to doing the walk on Monday as a whole school event.

Home School community Liaison (HSCL)

Happy Friday everyone!

Couch to 5k:

It is great to see so many people signed up for the couch to 5k program! It is great to see you all getting active with your children. Please remember to bring water as you will be thirsty!

See you all on Monday!

If you have any queries or questions you can contact me on 086 7232894 or at hscl@letterkennyetns.ie Lisa ☺

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

There are a number of exciting projects you are invited to get involved in

1. **Library** - the generous donations of books are greatly appreciated and continue to be welcomed. Also any items of furniture or posters for the walls. Most important and valuable is your time and skills if you would like to join a small group of volunteers for this project please contact the school office or Fiona Gallagher Ekici tel: 0838634770
2. **Community Cookbook**- the children have been learning a lot about food & nutrition this week as part of Operation Transformation. We are trying to gather recipes and artwork for inclusion in a school community cookbook. Please send your family favourite recipe for a starter, snack desert or main Meal - all contributions and ideas welcome to letnspsa2017@gmail.com

We also need help to compile and print this book anyone in the community who would like to volunteer their graphic design skills and /or experience with such a project please contact Louise Ozbay Tel: 0879123512 or Lisa HSCI hscl@letns.com or leave your details with Edwina at the school reception.

Your favourite family recipe can be hand written, Photocopied or typed. Please also send in a family photo and/ or a picture drawn by your children. It can be emailed or handed into the class teacher.

Many Thanks
PSA

Open Day

Thank you to everyone who attended our open day on Tuesday. It was lovely to see so many of our school community here and to meet lots of new people too. It was a very busy day and thank you to the children and staff who made all the visitors feel so welcome.

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February Birthdays

Caleb
Mia
Natalia Z
Liana
Eden
Sandra
Devin
Mercy
Jayden
Cristina
Meena
Victoria Jane
Imogen
Patryk Z
Amy

Meet the Student Council

Akshara

My name is Akshara and I am 12 years old. I am in the student council in 6th class. I also have a twin sister in my class who is in the green team. My hobbies are reading, art, music and I go to piano lessons with my sister every Saturday. If you have any ideas to give the student council you can talk to me.

Michaela

My name is Michaela. I am 12 years old. I am in 6th class and I'm on the student council. I have a little sister called Louise and she is in 5th class. My favourite hobbies are swimming, shopping and hanging out with my best friend Latifa. I also like to play on my Iphone. If you have any ideas for the student council you can talk to me.