

COGAR!

Friday 13th September 2019

School Starts At 9, Be On Time!

Assembly

There are some changes to our assembly time for this school year. Áine has decided to take 3 assembly sessions so that she can spend some time with the children in smaller groups. It also means that the children can learn about topics at a level that is more suited to their learning needs. The new times will be as follows:

1st & 2nd class: 9:00 - 9:30am

Junior & Senior Infants: 9:30am - 10am

3rd - 6th class: 10am - 10:30am

This morning the children and Áine talked about friends and how to help someone who might be feeling a little lonely in school.

At the senior assembly, Áine and the children did an activity. Áine talked to the children about some things that they didn't know about her and she asked the children to write 3 things that they wished she knew about them.

Áine is looking forward to reading all the answers which will help her to get to know the children better.

Class Meetings

Each year the class teachers at the school organise meetings to allow parents to get an overview of what the children will be learning in school each year. This is also an opportunity to meet the class teacher and to learn about the ways in which you can support your child. Each meeting will last approximately 30 minutes and the timetable for the meetings is as follows:

Tuesday 1st October – **Junior Infants** (in P.E. hall) – 1:00pm – 1:40pm

Tuesday 1st October – **1st & 2nd Class** (in library) – 2:00pm – 2:40pm

Wednesday 2nd October – **Senior Infants** (in P.E. hall) – 1:00pm – 1:40pm

Wednesday 2nd October – **3rd & 4th Class** (in library) – 2:00pm – 2:40pm

Thursday 3rd October – **5th & 6th Class** (in library) – 2:00pm – 2:40pm

Some joint meetings will be held this year to highlight the shared approaches throughout the school and to see the progressions from class to class.

Attendance at these meetings is very important and appreciated by the staff and the children.

Book Rental

Thank you to all families who have contacted us to arrange payment of book rental for the coming year. If you wish to discuss any aspect of the Book Rental scheme please contact Áine.

Home School community Liaison (HSCL)

Happy Friday everyone! Just a little note to let you know **home visits** are starting for our new families. I will be giving you a wee ring to find out a day/time that suits us to meet. This is just to have a little talk and tell you some information about your child's school life. I'm looking forward to meeting you all!

School events:

Family Friday:

Our first Family Friday will take place on Friday 27th of September. All family members are welcome to come into school and visit their child/childrens classes. This is open from Junior Infants to 6th class. There will be 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!

Grandparents and Grandfriends day:

We are hosting another Grandparents and Grandfriends day as last year was such a success! So get in contact with the special people in your child's life and tell them to save the date for a visit to our school! It will be on Friday the 11th of October. We want to celebrate all the amazing work the special people in your child/children's life do. These people can be grandparents, grand aunts, grand uncles, aunts, uncles, cousins, childminders, neighbours, family friends etc... so watch this space for more information!

If you have any questions or queries feel free to contact me at hscl@letterkennyetns.ie

Lisa ☺

School Calendar

A copy of the calendar for the school year 2019/2020 is available on the school website and school Facebook page. Paper copies are available on request from the school office.

After School Clubs

We will be offering Athletics, Mini-Athletics and Soccer skills training as after school activities for 8 weeks.

Registration for these clubs will be held on Thursday 26th September between 6pm - 6.30pm at the school.

The clubs will last for 8 weeks beginning on Monday 30th September and the cost will be €24 for the 8 sessions which is payable at registration.

The times of the classes are as follow:

Athletics: Tuesdays 2.40pm-3.40pm (1st - 6th)

Mini Athletics Tuesdays 1.40pm-2.40pm (Senior Infants)

Soccer Thursdays at 4.30pm-5.30pm (1st - 6th)

We hope to see your child there!

Please Note: Further after school clubs may be offered after the mid-term break.