

COGAR!

Friday 17th February 2017

School Starts At 9, Be On Time!

Mid-Term Break

The school will be closed on **Thursday 23rd** and **Friday 24th** February for our Mid-Term break. Bus drivers have been told about this closure.

Assembly

This morning we reached the 50k mark in our Ultra Marathon. To celebrate this fantastic achievement we invited Shane (Xavi's Dad) into the school to give out some certificates. The teacher chose 6 pupils from each class who have been making an extra effort over the last few months.

Shane is a fully qualified Jujitsu instructor and has been working with 5th and 6th class ever since October. Shane will be working with 3rd class after the mid-term break.

Congratulations to everyone for this wonderful achievement and to the following pupils for receiving a special certificate today:

Junior Infants

Nikola, Caidhla, Bart, Evie, Roisin, Sophie

Senior Infants

Nashira, Paul, Shane, Sandra, Josh, Charlotte

1st Class

Conal, Maria C, Evie, Cara, Aimee, Nyko

2nd Class

Richard, Armandas, Eyad, Cyntia, Tilly, Cristina

3rd Class

Patryk, Orla, Ayla, Promise, Zana, Milena

4th Class

Marwin, Louise, Olivia, Adam, Jakub, Caragh

5th Class

Michaela, Joshua, Angel, Kyle, Myah, Megan

6th Class

Karl, Sandra, Michael, Aaron, Wiki, Mohammad

Friendship Week

We had a great time at school this week during Friendship week. The children buddied up with other classes to take part in lots of lovely activities. Check out the website over the next few weeks as the teachers upload so picture and videos of the activities.

A huge thank you to everyone who wore blue to school today (for Friendship) and contributed €1 towards Amnesty International. The children have received a Friendship Bracelet in recognition of their hard work this week.

Although Friendship week is a special time for our school the ideas and skills we learn this week are practiced all throughout the school year. Being a good friend is something that we all need to keep working at. The gift of friendship is one of the most important things we can give to each other.

The big travel challenge February 2017

Hi all,

We are still working hard towards gaining our next green flag!

We are taking part in the BIG TRAVEL Challenge this February by promoting a mode of transport for 10 days during the month. This challenge will run from 9th- 22nd February.

We would like to encourage pupils, parents and teachers to use Park' n' Stride wherever possible during these 10 days. Park' n' Stride encourages parking in a nearby carpark and walking a distance to school. Walking to school benefits children in the following ways:

- Walking is known to improve academic performance.

- Walking gives children good life experience.
- Walking gets children outdoors.
- Walking provides daily exercise for children.

Teachers will use a travel tracker to record the total number of students using Park' n' Stride on each day of the challenge. The overall winning school will receive a cash prize of €1000 to be used for their Green-Schools Travel programme, with four runners up each receiving prizes of €500.

Thank you for your continued support!
Kind regards,
Barbara and Mairéad

Gaeilgeoir na Seachtaine:

Comhghairdeas le Karla i Rang Mairéad, le Eloise i rang Louise, le Sebastian i rang Rachel, le Folani i rang Mary, le Amina i rang Barbara, le Oliwia i rang Stephanie, le Neisha i rang Maggie agus le Amelia C i rang Nakita.

Fun Friday!

Next week's Fun Friday is having a great time on their mid-term break!!!!!!

After School Clubs

The next set of after school clubs will begin on Monday 27th February. Registration for the clubs will take place on Wednesday 22nd February from 6pm - 6.30pm.

Letters were sent home with the children this week

Home School community Liaison (HSCL)

Happy Friday everyone!

If you have any queries or questions you can contact me on 086 7232894 or at

hscl@letterkennyetns.ie

Lisa ☺

Enrolment of Younger Siblings

If anyone has younger siblings that they wish to enrol at the school please pop in and collect an enrolment form. Our school operates on the basis of continuous enrolment and places are not currently automatically offered to siblings. The Board of Management is looking at our enrolment policy at present to include a 'siblings clause' in line with Educate Together Policy. However, in most ET schools siblings need to be enrolled before a certain age to be guaranteed a place at the school.

Therefore, we would urge parents to enrol their children as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. As there is such a demand for places at the moment we are in the unfortunate situation of being unable to offer places to siblings as they were not enrolled in time and are now on the waiting list.

Welcome Baby Esme!

Congratulations to Paul (teacher covering Máire's maternity leave) and his wife Mary as they welcomed their first child to the world last week.

We wish the new family well during this special time together.