

COGAR!

Friday 19th May 2017

School Starts At 9, Be On Time!

Assembly

We had a really interesting assembly today! 3rd, 5th and 6th class have been working on projects for homework this week and we all gathered in the school yard to take a look at them.

6th Class

The children had to work in groups for this project to design a boat that floats and could be moved using a magnet. Áine brought her paddling pool in from home and Jamie helped us to fill it with water. The children all took turns to try and float their boats with some very funny results.

5th class

5th class were asked to pick a topic that was of interest to them and to do a project on it. They selected a wide range of topics from engines to rainforests. The end results were fantastic! Well done everyone.

3rd Class

The children in 3rd class were asked to complete a project about the rainforest. They could do a PowerPoint, a poster or make a diorama. The children displayed their projects in the yard for everyone to see and they were amazing!

Fun Friday:

Fun Friday for next week is bring a treat.

Gaeilgeoir na Seachtaine:

Comhghairdeas le Roisin i Rang Mairéad, le Reem i rang Louise, le Jakob i rang Rachel, le Rebecca B i rang Mary, le Darren i rang Barbara, le Oliwia i rang Stephanie, le Ryan i rang Maggie agus le Dylan i rang Nakita.

Help with the school garden

Jan is looking for some help with the school garden over the next few weeks. If you would be available to help it would be very much appreciated.

Jan is also hoping to run a stall at the Summer Fair selling some plants. If you have plants at home that you would be willing to donate please drop them into the school.

Book Rental

A letter was sent home with the children on Monday outlining the Book rental fees for the school year 2017/2108. Thank you to the parents who have already sent in their book rental fees. The cost is €100 for the eldest child and €75 for any other siblings.

Congratulations Gaetano and Mercy

Gaetano (6th class) was competing last night in the Community games at the Aura leisure centre. He won a bronze medal in the 800mts and the long jump events and will now progress on to the Ulster Finals in June. Well done Gaetano! Mercy (1st class) came a wonderful 2nd place in sprinting and won a silver medal, she will also progress to the Ulster finals in June. Well done Mercy! We are all very proud of you both

Home School community Liaison (HSCL)

Family Friday:

Our last Family Friday of the school year will be on the 26th of May. We hope to see as many of you as possible visiting the Junior, Senior, 1st and 2nd classes between 9.30am - 10am. We will be having one of our parents deliver our senior assembly on the day.

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

hscl@letterkennyetns.ie

Lisa ☺

Parent/Teacher meetings

There will be a drop-in session on Wednesday 7th June for any parents who wish to meet their child's teacher before the end of term. The teachers will be available from 3pm - 4.40pm for any parent who wishes to 'drop in'.

Please note: No appointment times will be given for these meetings.

New SEN support model for pupils

From September 2017 the Department of Education is introducing a new model for allocating supports to pupils in schools. The main change is that school will no longer have to submit psychological reports in order to access additional teaching for pupils. Schools will be given a set allocation of hours for supporting pupils and will distribute these hours according to the needs of the children.

An information session for parents has been organised in the Millpark Hotel in Donegal Town on Tuesday 23rd May at 2.30pm.

The session is open to parents from all schools and will be an opportunity to learn more about the new model and to ask questions.

Checking for notes!

The next 6 weeks are a busy time in our school. Please keep checking your child's school bag/homework folders for notes that are being sent home about school trips etc.

We will keep you updated through Cogar and our Facebook page of all whole school events that are happening in the coming weeks.