

# School Starts At 9, Be On Time! Winter Assembly

Our Whole School Winter Assembly will be held on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

# Family Friday:

Thank you to all the family members who attended Family Friday this morning. It was great to see so many adults in the Junior classes spending time with the children.

Thank you also to Kerrie (Emily's Mum) for being the guest speaker at the Senior Assumbly.

#### Gaeilgeoir na Seachtaine:

Comhghairdeas le Sophie Kelly i Rang Verity, le Ethan rang Louise, le Sean i rang Rachel, le Kuba i rang Jennifer, le Kinga i rang Barbara, le Cassie i rang Stephanie, le Ruby i rang Nakita agus le Aoibh i rang Mary.

# Fun Friday

Fun Friday for next week is extra Golden Time.

#### Footwear in the P.E.Hall

As we settle into the new building we have noticed that the floor in the new halls is already covered in black marks! These appear to be from the type of shoes that are being worn for P.E. lessons. If you child has P.E. on a particular day please make sure that they are wearing suitable runners for taking part in these activities. Boots etc. cannot be worn during P.E. lessons as they are not safe for taking part in activities and are damaging the hall floor.

# Home School community Liaison (HSCL)

Happy Friday everyone!

Family Friday: A big thank you to Kerrie who was our guest speaker today for 'Family Friday'. She talked to all the children in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class. They really enjoyed having Kerrie in today! A big thank you to all the adults who came into school to visit the children from Junior Infants to 2<sup>nd</sup> class. We love seeing so many of our important family members at school!

Parent survey: I'll be coming around with surveys at the Parent Teacher meetings on Thursday to see what courses/classes our school community are interested in. We have more space in our new school so I'm hoping to get these courses/classes up and running in the New Year. Please let me know what course/class YOU would like to take part in. If you have any queries or questions you can contact me on 086 7232894 or at hscl@letterkennyetns.ie

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# **PSA**

All parents/guardians are members of our school community and are therefore automatically members of the PSA. You are <u>needed</u> and welcome to get actively involved at any time and to attend monthly meetings. Email address is <a href="mailto:letnspsa2017@qmail.com">letnspsa2017@qmail.com</a>

Next meeting is Tues 5th Dec @7pm

#### Mission Statement

We the parents and guardians of children attending Letterkenny Educate Together National School are committed to upholding the equality-based ethos of the school. All parents/guardians are an integral part of the school community. The purpose of the Parent-

Staff Association is to further build that community and as such, we are committed to a collaborative process of contributing. All parents and guardians are welcome at any stage of their child's education here. Through social, fundraising and educational activities we aim to reflect and respect the diverse membership of our school community.

## Parent Teacher Meetings

Parent teacher meetings will take place next Thursday between 3pm - 8pm. All children should have received a letter this week with their appointment time. These meetings are an important opportunity for parents to meet with the class teacher to discuss their child's progress over the last few months and to set targets for the year ahead. We look forward to seeing you all on Thursday.

#### Christmas Market

A big thank you to Tina Clarke (parent rep on the Board of Management) for organising a Christmas market in aid of school funds this year. The fantastic sum of €1100 was raised for the school.

Along with our wonderful new building have come not so wonderful additional bills for heating/lighting etc. Any extra money raised throughout the year goes directly to buy more resources for the children and is very much appreciated.

#### The Cold Weather is here!

Now that the cold weather is well and truly here, it is important that each child wears a coat to school. During the cold months the children still go out to the yard unless it is raining or very icy. They must wear a coat at all times in the playground.

We also noticed this morning that the kerbs were quite slippy in places. Please take care on frosty mornings when stepping onto the footpaths or out of cars. Áine and Jamie will do their best to remind people of this on icy mornings.

#### **Art Competition**

Congratulations to Cara Gordon (2<sup>nd</sup> Class) who was highly commended for her entry in the Letterkenny Christmas Art competition. Cara is a very talented artist and the competition was open to all school children in Letterkenny. She will receive her prize this evening at the switch on of the Christmas lights in the market square. Well done Cara. We are very proud of you.

# 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Class Football Teams

Congratulations to the football teams that represented our school at a local competition last Wednesday. Well done to everyone who took part and thank you to Nakita and Máire who supported the children at the event.

# November Birthdays

Maria W

Karla

Charlie

Daniel

Marcos

Nikola

Darcey

**Emily** 

Eloise

Yasmine

Armandas

Tilly

Kevin

Tori

Aaron

Denzel

Ziya

Pauric

## School Hoodies

The school hoodie order came today. There appears to be more hoodies wanted. If anyone wants to order a hoodie, contact Edwina in the school office.