

# COGAR!

Friday 27th May 2016

## School Starts At 9, Be On Time!

### SCHOOL CLOSURE

The school will be closed

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup>,  
7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of June

School day as normal on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> of  
June. Bus drivers know about this.

### Assembly

Today was Family Friday at school. Thank you to all the parents who came in to work with the children in Junior and Senior Infants.

Barry, Byron's Dad, came in to talk to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Class about his job. Barry is a plumber and he brought lots of his tools to show to the children. As today was a special birthday for Barry we also had a little cake for him! Happy Birthday Barry!

Ruairi, Lila's dad, came into the senior assembly this morning. Ruairi is the manager of Glencar Spar. The children had lots of interesting questions for him about running the shop and about the CCTV cameras!!

Thanks Barry and Ruairi for visiting our school. We really enjoyed it.

### Friendship Week

Next week is friendship week in Letterkenny Educate Together NS. The classes will be pairing up for the week to complete some fun activities. The pupils in 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> will be engaging in 'upstander' training as part of the school's anti-bullying policy. Home work for next week will be linked to the theme of friendship.

Friendship week will conclude with the children making a whole school friendship chain in the school yard. This will be happening on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June @ 1pm and everyone is welcome to join us.

### Fun Friday

Fun Friday for next week is a Friendship Picnic for the children.

### June Dates

June is a very busy month in our school. Here is a list of important dates coming up:

- 1<sup>st</sup>: 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> school trip
- 1<sup>st</sup>: Junior Infant Induction session for parents - 7pm - 8pm
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: Junior Infant Induction session for children - 1pm - 2.30pm trip (**Junior and Senior Infant children will finish at 12.10pm**)
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: End of friendship week celebrations @ 1pm.
- 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>: School closed for pupils
- 9<sup>th</sup>: Parent teacher meetings (drop in session from 2.40pm - 4.40pm)
- 10<sup>th</sup>: Celebration to end whole school marathon @1pm - All welcome
- 13<sup>th</sup>: 'Get active' week begins
- 14<sup>th</sup>: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> class trip
- 15<sup>th</sup>: Summer Fair - 5pm - 7pm
- 16<sup>th</sup>: Sports Day
- 21<sup>st</sup>: 6<sup>th</sup> class leavers' ceremony - 6pm - 7pm
- 28<sup>th</sup>: Junior and Senior Infant class trip
- 6<sup>th</sup> class trip to be confirmed.

### Gaeilgeoir na Seachtaine:

Comhghairdeas le Liana i Rang Lisa, le Mercy i rang Verity, le Armandas i rang Louise, le Kamal i rang Síne, le Diarmaid i rang Mairéad, le Oscar i rang Stephanie, le Tomi i rang Nakita agus le Alexander i rang Barbara.

### **Junior Infant Induction Day**

This year the induction programme for new Junior Infant pupils will be divided into two sessions.

- An information session for parents only will be held on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June from 7pm - 8pm in the school.
- The induction day for the new Junior infant pupils will be held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June between 1pm and 2.30pm in the school and we are delighted to welcome all new families to our school. This will be a drop-in session for the new pupils and their parents to allow them to meet with the class teacher and to spend some time in their new classroom.
- The current junior and senior infants will finish at 12.10pm on this day.

In the past a number of parents have volunteered for the evening session to meet the new parents and to help with teas and coffees. It also allows the parents of our new pupils to meet with some of the current parents in our school. Please let Áine or Máire know if you would be available to help out for the hour.

### **Message from Thomas Rotuski, Zuzia and Michal's Dad.**

On the 14/05/2016 on Saturday in Dublin was the Polish School Olympics.

The Polish School in Letterkenny took second place.

The Olympics took part among other students of our school. Zuzanna Rotuska, Marta Pieszynska, Michal Rotuski, Patrick Pieszynski, Natalia Grzyb and Kuba Grzyb.

Parents also took part in the Olympics.

Mrs. Ewelina Pieszynska took third place in the Polish geography.

Well done to everyone who was involved.

### **Student Council Elections**

Over the past number of weeks wonderful campaign posters have appeared in the school and the children have been given the opportunity in class to talk to the other pupils about why they should be elected.

Each child in the school was given a ballot paper and voted for the candidate of their choice. Well done to everyone who took part in the elections.

The results are now in! The following pupils are now our new Student Council members;

Junior Infants Charlotte and Joshua

Senior Infants Lara and Donal

1<sup>st</sup> Class Victoria Jane and Kinga

2<sup>nd</sup> Class Damien and Tori

3<sup>rd</sup> Class Natalia and Oliwia

4<sup>th</sup> Class Bailey and Darren

5<sup>th</sup> Class Michael and Tadgh

Thanks to all the outgoing members for all their hard work over the past school year and congratulations to the new candidates. Understandably there will be some disappointed children but there will be another opportunity next year.

### **Book Rental**

A letter explaining our book rental scheme was sent home this week. Payments can be made through the school office and must be paid in full by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August. Thank you to those who have already paid.

### **Swapping cards/figures**

In recent weeks some children have been bringing moshi monsters figures/match attack cards etc to school and swapping them with their friends. This has caused some upset when the items get lost or the children want to 'swap' back!! We would ask that these cards/figures etc. are kept at home in order to avoid any upset in classes. We would appreciate it if you could talk to your children about this at home.