

COGAR!

Friday 31st January 2020

School Starts At 9, Be On Time!

Family Friday

Another great turnout for family Friday.

Thank you as always to all the extended family members and friends who come to school to make family Friday a lovely occasion for the children and the staff.

It is wonderful to see how comfortable family members are in our school and we always love the relaxed atmosphere that these mornings bring.

A special word of thanks to all the staff members who welcome families into the school and their classrooms throughout the school year. We are so grateful that all of our staff share of vision of working together with families to support the children in our school.

Fun Friday

Fun Friday for next week is bring a treat.

After School Clubs

Registration for the next block of after school clubs will take place on Thursday 6th February from 6:00pm - 6.30pm here at the school.

We are in the process of finalising the clubs that will be offered and a letter will be sent home with the children early next week.

Home School community Liaison (HSCL)

Happy Friday everyone! Just a few announcements this week:

Family Friday/Catch up with a cuppa:

Thanks to everyone who came to the 1st Family Friday of 2020. It was great seeing you all here

today and the children just love having their family members come and visit them! 😊

Read DL:

We are very excited to be taking part in Read DL again this year as it celebrates its 10th anniversary. 6th class will be taking part in this wonderful literacy initiative which will focus on poetry for the 1st time ever. The book is Hopscotch in the sky and will be available in the Central Library for anyone interested in taking part. The official launch is on the 6th of February and will run for 6 weeks.

Doodle Families:

Doodle families is a new fun Literacy initiative that has now started for some of the families in 1st class. The children are so enthusiastic about the initiative and are loving their new fancy Doodle bags filled with lots of goodies!

Shaping Ourselves and Our Children (SOOC):

Louise and Niamh have started their course which is running for 4 weeks in school. They have a full class and are enjoying working with the families in our school community. SOOC enables groups to talk about parenting issues that are important to them. SOOC also provides tuition and amazing resources on key topics around communication, empathy, behaviour, play and diversity.

If you have any queries or questions you can contact me at hscl@letterkennyetns.ie

Lisa 😊

Learn Together

Hi everyone,

As mentioned before are hoping to create boxes of artefacts for each world religion. Over the next few weeks I will put a list of artefacts that we are looking to gather for a specific religion in Cogar. All donations would be greatly appreciated. This week we will focus on **Buddhism**.

If you have any of the following artefacts/objects and would like to donate it/them to the school please give them to

Edwina in the office or send your child down to my room (JI beside Lisa's)

- Meditation C.D
 - Mallah Beads
 - Prayer Flags
 - Prayer Mat
 - Buddha Wall Hnaging
 - Buddha Statue
 - Prayer Wheel
 - Singing Bowl
 - Alms Bowl
 - Offering Bowls
 - Butter Lamp
 - Tibetan Incense Sticks and Holder
 - Gong
- (any Buddhist artefact)

I am overwhelmed by the artefacts that people have contributed already. Thank you!

Finally, I am hoping to set up a 'Learn Together' group with a representative from each Faith/non Faith group to help organise visits for 6th class to places of worship, to organise visits in the school during festivals, for talks, advice etc. Basically a group of people who represent our school profile and make sure everyone in our school community is represented within our Learn Together Curriculum.

Thank you so much,

Mairéad