

February 2020

Thank you!

A big thank you to the parents and staff who supported the recent Table Quiz fundraiser for the play area to the front of the school – we are very grateful to Cormac and Cathy Bane for organising this event. Thank you to Tom Cradock, the McGrath family and the school staff who helped out on the night also.

Congratulations!

Well done to our two sixth class teams who represented the school in the recent Stage 1 Credit Union Table Quiz competition in Tuam. Both the girls team and the boys team represented the school so well and we are very proud of you all. Congratulations to the boys team who were the winners of the category. The boys team will now progress to the next stage of the schools quiz.

Girls Team: Lauren Connolly, Lily Daly, Isabel Hart, Róise Murtagh.

Boys Team: Cathal Donagher, Daniel Greaney, Luke Kennedy, Mark Langan

Comhgairdeas!

Primary Language Curriculum Training

To facilitate teacher training in the new Primary Language Curriculum, the Department of Education and Skills are requiring schools to have a half day closure during this term and a half day closure in the final term. The first of these school closures will take place on **Tuesday, 3rd March 2020. The school will close for the students at 12p.m. on this day. Thank you for your support with this.**

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Homework Survey

We are currently reviewing our Homework Guidelines and Policy here in the school. Homework will always exist in some shape or form, We will work with staff, students and parents in order to inform and guide our practice going forward. In the coming days you will receive access to a short survey. Please take the time to engage with it so we can have an understanding of the parental perspective regarding homework and together with all stakeholders we can meaningfully review our policy.

Confirmation

Confirmation for students in 5th/6th classes will take place on Monday, 23rd March at 2.30p.m. School is open as normal for all students on the day. We will send home permission slips to the younger classes as we will need their participation in the choir on the day and we appreciate your support with this.

Swimming

An eight week swimming session will take place for 3rd class students in Coral Leisure Tuam, starting Wednesday, 22nd April 2020 - more detail to follow in the coming weeks.

PLEASE NOTE

The school opens daily to receive pupils at 8.40a.m.

No responsibility is accepted for pupils arriving before this time.

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DATES OF IMPORTANCE

February

- Friday 14th February, Valentine's **Disco** in the Community Centre.
- Thursday 20th and Friday 21st February, school closed – mid term break.
- Sunday, 23rd February Progressive 25 Card Game – Cloughanover Community Centre, all proceeds to the play area at the front of the school.

March

- Tuesday, 3rd March, school closing at 12p.m. for teaching staff inservice training.
- World Book Day – Friday 6th March – children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character – thank you to the PA for organising events for the day.
- First Confession for 2nd Class Students – Friday, 13th March
- School Closed Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th March – St. Patrick's Day
- Monday 23rd March – Confirmation – school open as normal for all students.