



09/11/2023

Dear Parents/guardians,

I hope you are all keeping well, and looking forward to all the magic of the term ahead.

### **Parent/Teacher Meetings**

The Parent/Teacher meetings will be held on the week commencing the 20<sup>th</sup> of November. Slots are now available on Aladdin for parents to book. The school will close at 2:15pm on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> of November. **There will be no homework club on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> of November.**

### **Board of Management Parents Nominees**

On Monday all parents received an email with a link to a google form, asking if they wish to undergo an election to be part of the Board of Management. This form will close on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November. The next stage in the elections process will be for those being considered to get nominated. Further information will be emailed to parents next week.

### **Christmas Shoebox Appeal**

Well done pupils from Ms Moore's, Ms Murphy's and Ms Buckley's classes who made or helped to put a Christmas Shoebox together for other children in need. And a big thank you to the staff in Clondalkin Leisure Centre who are hosting a collection point for the presents.

### **Family Movie Night**

The school is hosting its first Family Movie Night on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November. **Tickets are on sale tomorrow, Friday in the school hall from 8:30am – 9:00 am and again at 1:45pm – 3:00pm.**

### **Up the Dubs!**

On Wednesday Ellen Gribben visited our school with the Brendan Martin Cup. She is a member of the Dublin ladies football team – the current All Ireland Champions. Classes got their pictures taken with her and the cup. The pictures can be viewed on our school website. Everyone enjoyed meeting her and listening to her good advice.

### **Christmas Card templates**

The children received a template of their Christmas card that they did in class on Wednesday. If you wish to purchase these cards, scan the QR code at the bottom left of the card or alternatively, bring in the money tomorrow, Friday.

### **Active Ted**

Active Ted arrived back in our classrooms this week, just in time for our 'Active Break Everyday' challenge starting on Nov 13th. This challenge is designed as a *whole-school* challenge which emphasises **participation, inclusion** and **FUN**.

This year we are excited to partner with the Olympic Federation of Ireland and their [Dare to Believe Schools Programme](#) to bring schools a brand, NEW series of **Olympic Movement Breaks**, ideal for use for the Active Breaks challenge. Students will be introduced to Team Ireland Olympic athletes who will challenge them in their chosen Olympic sport-related movement break. The children are very excited to spring back into action.

### **Marathon Kids**



Our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> classes will run their final mile of the Marathon Kids programme on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November on Santry running track. We wish them well.

### **New Student Council Elected**

Congratulations to our newly elected committee members; 2nd class Room 13: **Saoirse and Amelia**, 3rd class Room 13: **Mehr**, 3rd class Room 8: **Chloe**, 4th class Room 8: **Penny and Theresa**, 5th class Room 14: **Michelle and Lily**, 6th class Room 15: **Evelina and Clodagh**.

We look forward to working with them and hearing their ideas and thoughts.

### **Assembly Awards**

Handwriting Hero, Principal Prizes and Halloween Gaeilge awards were presented at our October Assembly. Well done to all our winners. Keep up the great work. Group pictures of winners are on the school website.

### **Parents Association AGM**

The Parents Association AGM took place on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 4pm in the school hall. Minutes of the meeting were emailed to all parents. Please take the time to read them and keep up to date with developments at our school.

### **Junior Infant Enrolment 2024/2025**

Enrolment for 2024/2025 remain opens until 6<sup>th</sup> January 2024. Click on the QR code to access the pre-enrolment form.



### **Safe Cycling Course**

A 7-week safe cycling course for 5<sup>th</sup> class commenced on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November. The class really enjoyed their first session.

### **Clondalkin RFC Blitz for 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> classes**

Ms Murphy and Ms Buckley classes will attend a rescheduled rugby blitz at Clondalkin RFC on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November. **GAA Coaching**

Junior Infants, Ms Kelly's and Ms Moore's classes have all started GAA coaching it will continue for the month of November.

Keep up to date with all school news on our website [www.scoilideclondalkin.com](http://www.scoilideclondalkin.com)

Catherine Keane and the Scoil Íde Team.