

25/05/2023

Dear Parents/guardians,

We are well into our last term and everyone is very busy.

School Closure

The school is closed on <u>Friday 2nd June</u> for staff training. The school will reopen after the bank holiday weekend, on <u>Tuesday 6th June</u>.

New Autism Class

We are delighted to share with you that we intend to open an Autism class in Scoil Ide for the new school year in 2023/2024. Work will begin during the summer months with a view to being open for early Autumn. This is an exciting new development for our school.

Communion

First Communion will be celebrated on Saturday 27th May at 12 midday. Our 2nd class pupils are busy practicing and we look forward to celebrating this special day.

Communion photographs will take place on Monday 29th at 12 midday. Children may come to school for 11am that morning in their dresses and be collected after the photographs.

School Tours

Our Senior Infants are going to Clonfert Pet Farm on Tuesday 30th May. We wish them a great day out. Please make sure your child has sun cream and plenty of food and drinks for the day.

Incoming Junior Infant Meetings

Meetings for incoming parents with take place on <u>Tuesday 30th May and Thursday 1st June</u>. Meetings will take place at <u>1:50pm</u> on both days. Parents have been informed of their visit date and time.

Nore Valley Incubator Project

Earlier this week we received 7 eggs, that will remain in an incubator at our school for the next 4 weeks. We hope to witness the eggs hatching and watch the chicks grow before they are returned to the farm. We cannot wait for them to hatch as we are all very excited for their arrival.

School Books

The school has commenced ordering books for next year. The grant received from the government will not cover the costs the school will now incur. We will be sending correspondence to parents during early June requesting a small payment to help cover costs.

Art Exhibition

The school will hold an art exhibition on **Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th June**. All are welcome to attend. Classes will be displaying samples of their creations from throughout the year.



Active School Week

Active school week will take place from **Monday 19th – Friday 23rd June**. We have many great activities planned; Cricket, Volleyball, Sports Day, Yoga, Tour de Scoil Íde and the Dr. Harrison Omorodion Memorial football match. It is always a fun filled, action packed week.

Graduations

First and Sixth class graduations will take place on **Wednesday 28th June**. More information will follow nearer the date.

Homework/Afterschool Club

Our afterschool club will finish on <u>Thursday 15th June</u> for the year. Thanks to all the teachers who facilitated this club.

6th Class Show

This year 6th class will perform an end of year show on **Friday 23rd June**. More information to follow.

Tech Improvements

The Board of Management recently approved the purchasing of 10 new interactive boards for classrooms. Ms Warde's class had their new board installed earlier this week and the rest of the classrooms will be fitted with new boards on the 2nd June. These boards will be a superb addition to assist with teaching and learning.

Athletics

Today is the last day for Athletics training. Well done to all the children who got involved. Thanks to Ms Ryan, Ms Kelly and Eileen for coaching the girls.

<u>Volleyball</u>

Volleyball continues on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

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Our Walk on Wednesday winners this week were; Room 1 – Ms Duignan's class and Room 8 – Ms Doherty's class. Well done to all.

School News

Keep up to date with all school news by checking out our website https://www.scoilideclondalkin.com/news/

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Catherine Keane and the Scoil Gde Team.