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Newsletter October 2018



School Closures

School will be closed on Friday, 26th October as the school is being used as a polling station. School will remain closed for the following week and will reopen on Monday, 5th November at 9.20am.

PA AGM

There was a great turn out to the PA AGM on Tuesday, 25th September. Thank you to everyone who attended. Outgoing officers Patricia Sharpe, Jared Brown, Trish Moriarty and Marie Kennedy were thanked for their dedicated work over the year and all other members who helped in any way. The incoming committee is as follows; Chairperson; Úna McShane, Secretary; Michèle Kennedy and joint treasurers; Aoife Kennedy and Maura D. McCarthy.

The next PA meeting will be Tuesday the 16th of October at 8pm.

A uniform sub committee and a Féile na Bealtaine sub committee were also formed on the night. Further details will follow.

Halloween Dress Up

Dress up on Thursday, 25th October for the Children's Ward at Kerry University Hospital. All children, staff and parents are invited to dress up. Children can come to school in their costumes. A €2 donation is suggested. Strictly **NO** hand held accessories to be brought to school on health and safety grounds.

Art and Craft/Photocopying/Class Novels/Supplementary Readers etc.

Thank you to everyone who has paid this money. Any outstanding money can be put in an envelope with your child's name and payment amount. The cost for the year is **€45 for 1st child and €80 for 2 children, max €100 per family.**

Voluntary Contribution

The BOM would like to sincerely thank again all the families who contributing to the Blue Envelope scheme. The recommended amount per family is €2 per week which amounts to €8 per month.

Parent/Teacher Meetings

Parent/Teacher meetings will be held on Tuesday 20th and Tuesday 27th of November 2018. Appointment times to follow. Alternative dates may be also arranged by the class teachers and SEN/LS team.

Yard Supervision and Assembly Pupil pick-up and drop-off

Parents and guardians are reminded to park responsibly on the roadside when dropping off and collecting children.

PTO

Please do not park near the yellow box on the road or near Mary O'Sullivan (Maor Scoile) in the interest of her and the children's safety.

All children are to be picked up at the **MAIN FRONT ENTRANCE** of the school at 2pm and 3pm. No exceptions except for after school children being collected by Gretta McCarthy's Afterschool service. Please inform all family etc who do pick up.

Health, Safety and Hygiene

- We would also encourage all children to have a packet of tissues in their bag for the unexpected sniffles and sneezes etc.
- All children are encouraged to wash their hands after using the toilet. Please remind your child of same.
- We would like to advise parents that all children with long hair should have it tied up for health, safety and hygiene purposes.
- As part of the Healthy Eating Policy of the school we would like to remind parents that sugary drinks and sugary foods are not allowed.

School Diary

The school homework diary should be signed by parent or guardian every evening and please use the back pages of the diary to record all absences.

Healthy Lunches

Scoil Bhreac Chluain has a Healthy Eating Policy. Pupils are not allowed to bring fizzy drinks, sweets, chocolate, crisps or chewing gum etc to school. We discourage high sugar content bars. Also ensure your child has a lunch box or lunch bag to take home any uneaten food, wrappers etc. Please ensure your child has plenty of water especially on PE days.

Christmas Carol Service

We will have a Carol Service in Annascaul Church on Thursday, December 20th at 1pm. Parents, families and friends of the school are very welcome to attend. All pupils will go home straight after the Carol Service which will end at 2pm approx.

First Holy Communion 2019

The date of First Holy Communion is Saturday, 18th May 2019.

6th Class Tour 2019

The 6th class pupils will be going to Dublin on their school tour on Thursday, June 13th 2019.

Scór na nÓg

Annascaul GAA is currently accepting entries for Scór na nÓg Club Competitions which will take place later this month. The deadline to enter Scór na nÓg with Annascaul GAA is Friday 12th of October 2018. Please contact Philomena Knightly on 086 1687597.

**Looking forward to seeing you all dressed up on
Thursday 25th October.**

