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Anois teacht an earraigh beidh an lá ag dul chun síneadh (Now with the coming of Spring the day will be lengthening) so now is the time to get out and about and enjoy the extra length in the day.



14th February is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. Trócaire boxes were distributed to all classes on Monday to mark the beginning of the Trocaire Lenten collection. The Trócaire boxes will not be collected until after Easter and we will let you know the day the children can return the boxes.



Last Monday we celebrated our **100th day in** school and certificates were given to pupils who have not missed a day in school since September 2017. There were lots of fun Maths activities to celebrate this day.

Pupils should not be in the school grounds early in the morning. School begins at 8.50 and

pupils are reminded to be on the line at ten to nine. Pupils should be under supervision of parents before ten to nine. I welcome your support in this as it is for the safety and welfare of pupils.



Safer Internet Day (SID) 2018 was celebrated on Tuesday, 6 February 2018 with a theme of "Create, connect and share respect: A better internet starts with you". Please be alert to what online activities your children are engaged in and talk to them frequently about staying safe.



Every Friday for this term

pupils wil particiate in Drop Eveything and Dance for ten mintes at 10 o'clock. It is a fun activity but great for increasing fitness and making everyone alert for school work.



Our annual Céili is scheduled for Thursday 15th March and sponsor cards for this will be sent out the week before. All the classes are busy practicing their dances for the ceilí. Pupils can wear a green jersey or tee shirt on that day with their tracksuit bottoms.

March also sees the beginning of Seachtain na Gaeilge which runs from 5th March for two weeks. We will have the Ceolchoirm on Friday 9th March where all classes will perform items as Gaeilge. There will be lots of games, activities and competitions in all classes so encourage your children to make every effort to speak Irish. Mol an óige and tiocfaidh sí.



The school will close at 12 o'clock on Monday 5th March so that teachers can attend training in Child Protection. All four schools will close at 12 o'clock on that day.



For parents of 2nd Class pupils making Furst Holy Communion, First Confession is on Monday 12th March in the church at 1.30pm.



 \blacksquare For parents of 6th class pupils making Confirmation, Ceremony of Light Tuesday 17th April at 1.30pm in the church.





School will be closed Monday 19th March (Bank Holiday).



Easter holidays will begin 23rd March at 12 o'clock and pupils will return to school on Monday 9th April.

Le gach dea ghuí

Ms. Burke-Heneghan and the Staff of Scoil Mhuire