



Newsletter for March 2019

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.

Tuesday 5th March is Pancake Tuesday so some classes will be busy making pancakes.

6th March is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. **Trócaire boxes** will be 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.

Don't forget ;

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 the 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) 2019 was celebrated on Tuesday, 5 February 2019. Please be alert to what online activities your children are engaged in and talk to them frequently about staying safe. It has come to our attention recently that pupils are using websites that are not age appropriate for them.

Every Friday for this term pupils wil particiate in **Drop Eveything and Dance for ten minutes.** It is a fun activity but great for increasing fitness and making everyone alert for school work.

Our annual Céili is scheduled for Thursday March 14th March and sponsor cards for this will be sent next week. After the Céilí we will have a raffle for all the pupils that return sponsor cards. The money raised will go towards increasing the number of tablets and chromebooks we have in the school as well as other much needed resources. 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 Seachtan na Gaeilge which runs from 11th March for two weeks..We will have the ceolchoirm on Friday 22nd 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 be closed on Tuesday 19th March for teacher inservice training.

For parents of 2nd class pupils First Confession Wednesday 27th March at 6.30pm in the church.

For parents of 6th class pupils making their Confirmation, Ceremony of Light Thursday 11th April at 1.30pm in the church.

Easter holidays will begin 12th April at 12pm and pupils will return to school on Monday 29th April.

Le gach dea ghuí

Ms. Burke-Heneghan and the Staff of Scoil Mhuire