



Operation Transformation 16th February, 2017

'Get fit! Get Healthy!' In conjunction with Operation Transformation children in Cappataggle have been availing of the running track to increase their fitness levels. They all record their laps on their own table sheets and counted how many laps they have ran during the month of January. Children are also making an extra effort with healthy lunches in all classes. Children and teachers have reported that they feel better and hope to keep on exercising and eating healthy. The whole school took part in the 10@10 challenge on the 10th February. Well done everyone and keep it up!!!!!!

Log onto to www.cappatagglens.com to see some pictures of us.



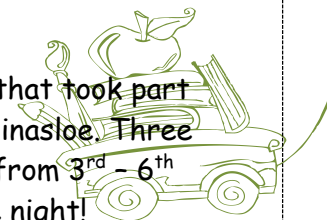
Sport Update GAA -

Training is underway for the competitions. We wish all of our teams and their coaches the very best of luck in these competitions. Thanks to all involved.

St. Gabriels GAA are recruiting new players for their gaelic football teams, boys aged 6 and upwards are encouraged to join. Parents are encouraged to come to the next registration night in St. Gabriels complex - Thursday 23rd Feb 2017 8pm - 9pm

Credit Union Quiz

Well done to all the children that took part in the credit union quiz in Ballinasloe. Three teams entered with children from 3rd - 6th Class. It was a very enjoyable night!



A Thuismitheoirí agus a pháistí,
Please take some time to read our February newsletter.

School Open Evening

We will hold an open evening on Tuesday 7th March from 7pm - 8pm for all new enrolments for school year 2017/2018. Any parents interested in enrolling children in the coming school year are invited to attend. There will be a tour of the school, fun activities for the children, a short presentation about the school and refreshments provided on the night. Please spread the word to neighbours and friends who may be interested.

Parent's Association News Update

The parents association held their AGM in January. The following people were then elected to serve as the officers on the PA committee for 2017.

Chair - Sandra Nolan

Secretary - Cindy Byrnes

Treasurer - Hannah Campbell

I would like to thank the outgoing committee for their time and effort last year and look forward to working with the new committee in the year ahead.

The Parents Association are running a table quiz on Friday 7th April at 8.30pm in Valeries pub in Aughrim. It's sure to be an exciting & competitive night! The quiz is open to children from 3rd - 6th class and adults in the local community. Children taking part in the quiz need to be accompanied by one adult on their team. Table of 4 - €40. All proceeds go to the school. Lots of prizes to be won on the night. The parent's association would like to thank all the families for their support throughout the year.

Enrolments

It's that time of year again. We are now beginning the enrolment process for the school year 2017/2018. Enrolment forms have been dropped to the play school. Please contact the school office to request an enrolment form or download forms from the school website

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Wet Mornings

Children arriving on the bus are reminded to wait in the school shelter on rainy days.

Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week was celebrated from January 29th - February 3rd this year. The theme this year was "Learning with Pope Francis to care for our common home". Children took part in a number of activities during the week and celebrated the wonderful contribution that Catholic schools make, not only to their local communities, but to Irish society as a whole. We celebrated *Grandparents Day* on Tuesday where grandparents were invited into the school to celebrate mass with us. Thanks to Fr. Stankard for a lovely ceremony, as always and the PA for providing refreshments afterwards. Grandparents who are no longer with us were remembered on our "remembering tree" and were given a special mention during the ceremony.



Pick Up

If there are any changes in the normal pick up arrangements please notify teachers by a note or phoning the school office to ensure the safety of all children. Thanks to all parents for their support on this matter.

Spare Clothes

Please return any spare items of clothing to the school office. Should you have any spare items of school uniform at home that you no longer need can you please donate to our spare clothes collection. Thank you.

Attendance

Under government legislation we are obliged to track and report on school attendance. If a child misses 20 days we must make a report to Túsla - The child and Family Agency. This is mandatory and the school has no discretion in this. We have a school policy whereby we issue letters alerting you if your child is approaching the 20 days. Obviously if the reason is a medical condition there is nothing you can do and if Túsla pursues the case medical certs can be produced.

Go raibh maith agat.....

Sincere thanks to Grainne Kelly who covered Mrs Burke's maternity leave with 1st and 2nd Class. It was a pleasure to have her with us. Mrs Burke will be returning after the mid-term break.

Dates for your diary...

- ✚ Monday 20th February - Friday 24th February Midterm Break
- ✚ Tuesday 7th March- School Opening Evening
- ✚ Friday 17th March - Public Holiday
- ✚ Monday 10th April - Friday 21st April - Easter Holidays
- ✚ Monday 1st May - Public Holiday
- ✚ Thursday 11th May 2017 - First Confession Mass 7.30pm
- ✚ Sunday 14th May 2017 - First Communion Mass 11am
- ✚ Thursday 18th May 2017 - School Closure (New Curriculum Planning Day)
- ✚ Monday 5th June - Public Holiday
- ✚ Monday 26th June - 6th Class Graduation Mass 11.45pm
- ✚ Thursday 29th June - Summer Holidays