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Dear Parents,

23rd January 2024

Catholic Schools' Week - Grandparents' Day Tuesday 23rd January 2024

Thank you to everyone who took part in our Grandparents' Day today. Thank you to Fr. Janusz who celebrated **mass at 10am** in Kiltale church where Eileen Ryan and Ms. Donnelly prepared and sang beautiful hymns with the pupils. Thank you to the Parents' Association and all the parents who prepared a lovely spread for all to enjoy and especially the grandparents who shared stories from their school days.

Cybersafety - CyberSafe Workshops:- On Thursday 25th January 2024 we have organised Cybersafe workshops for our 4th to 6th Class pupils. Through their interactive workshop **CYBERSAFEKIDS** teach 4th-6th class pupils how to navigate the online world in a stronger, smarter and safer way. They tailor their sessions to individual classes and are delivered in person. Topics they cover include: Protecting Privacy, Personal Information, Managing Digital Footprint, Social Media and Gaming, Misinformation and Cyberbullying.

Cybersafety - Online CyberSafe Workshop for parents and teachers:- On Thursday 25th January at 7.30pm.

We have organised an online Cybersafe workshop for **all parents and teachers in Kiltale NS**. The Webinar starts at **7:30pm** on Thursday 25th January and parents from all classes are welcome to take part in the webinar. Here is the Link to this webinar. Topic: CyberSafeKids Parents Webinar. Please click the link below to join the webinar:
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85424249535?pwd=TRyJXar-oZuxgHbYVAVHsQBsj1_MCw.m76ubVMCrHi34iR_Webinar
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This webinar for parents and teachers is designed to demystify the online world. **CYBERSAFEKIDS** raise awareness of what kids are doing online, the associated risks and parental safeguards. They offer practical advice and resources, as well as an opportunity for Q&A. Topics they cover include:- Popular Apps & Platforms, Social Media and Gaming, Areas of Risk or Concern, Protecting privacy, Digital Wellbeing and Critical Thinking.

GAA Coaching - Due to bad weather we had to postpone our GPO on Friday, 19th January 2024. We have rescheduled that session for **Monday 29th January 2024** for the whole school. **Reminder:-** during these cold months we cannot emphasise enough how important it is for every pupil to wear the correct **school uniform**. The school tracksuit can be worn on PE days and when requested, **otherwise the full uniform should be worn**. For this training children can wear their black bottoms with shorts worn underneath, if they wish.

Don't forget from January 2024 we will be rewarding the children who wear their **full school uniform**. Pupils will receive their awards at our monthly assembly.

SWIMMING - Due to circumstances beyond our control swimming has been postponed until June 2024. We will let you know closer to the date, days and times of our lessons.

Please see our revised timetable attached of events that are scheduled for term 2.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Le gach dea-ghuí,

Colin McElroy

Principal

Orla Dunne

Acting Deputy Principal