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Dear Parents,

7th March 2025

Please find attached our updated "Calendar of Events for Term 2 2024/25". Please note:-

- Thank you to Neil Heffernan for his hurling and camogie coaching sessions over the last eight Wednesdays.
- Well done to both the girls and boys mini 7's squads who took part in the Mini Sevens Football Competition.
- To celebrate St. Patrick's Day we are having a "Green Day" fundraiser on **Friday 14th March 2025**. Each child is asked to contribute €2. All children can wear green clothes, if they wish or their tracksuit, with a hat or headgear to celebrate St. Patrick (for 1st to 6th Class please ensure the clothes are suitable to go swimming). The classes will be learning songs as gaeilge and practising their Irish throughout the month of March. SNAG.ie gives a full list of activities and events for Seachtain na Gaeilge. Here is a list of useful Irish websites below. We want to encourage everyone to use the cúpla focal in school and the wider community.



- <https://www.focloir.ie/> English / Irish dictionary
- <https://www.tearma.ie/> The National Terminology Database for Irish
- <https://www.teanglann.ie/ga/> Irish Grammar website
- <https://www.logainm.ie/en/> Database of Irish placenames
- <https://daltai.com/> Irish phrases, proverbs, grammar classes, etc.
- <https://ceea.org.uk/learning-resources/cod-na-gaeilge> Irish language resources, games

These websites would be beneficial to all pupils throughout their time in primary and secondary school. A seanfhocal (proverb) we have learned this year is "Is fearr gaeilge bhriste ná Béarla cliste" (Broken Irish is better than clever English). A good place to start for even the beginners among us.

- We have our **Book Fair** here in the school from Tuesday **11th March 2025**.
 - The children will be visiting the book fair most days and will bring home their "Wish Lists".
 - If you'd like to purchase any of the books on their wish list, (there is no obligation to buy everything), you can pay for them using Scholastic's online payment system [Click here to pay](#). Please note this is only a payment system and not an ordering system.
 - Please ensure you use this link and that Kiltale NS is the school name so we will benefit from your purchase.
 - **DO NOT** order from the [Scholastic Online shop](#) as this is separate from the book fair and our school does not receive the full rewards.
 - Please ensure the "Wish List" is returned to the school before **24th March 2025**, with the proof of purchase reference number, so the children can collect their books.
 - No books will be given out without proof of purchase.
 - Click this link to see the books they have available and their prices. <https://bookfairs.scholastic.ie/bookcases>, please note not all titles may be available at the time of our fair. This is just a guide so parents can see a bigger selection of the books.

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- To encourage the pupils' love of reading we have postponed our "World Book Day" to **Wednesday 19th March 2025** when the pupils can **dress up as a character from any book of their choice**.
- **NO SCHOOL - Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th March 2025** for St. Patrick's Day.
- **Meath Primary Schools Cross Country Competition - Thursday 20th March 2025** we will be competing in this event, teams will be selected and competitors notified closer to the day.
- **Tara & District Credit Union** are holding a Membership Day on Saturday 22nd March 2025 from 10-12pm where you can Open or Reactivate Your Child's Savers Account, please see the flyer attached. Tara & District Credit Union will be in our school fortnightly on a Tuesday from approx. **9.20am starting 25th March 2025**. This time they will be doing the collections a bit differently, they will be offering **Coco the Bee** savings stamps and booklets for the children, the minimum lodgement will be €2 and the Max lodgement will be €10.



- **NO SCHOOL for pupils on Wednesday 26th March 2025** to facilitate the engagement of all school staff with the Bí Cineálta Procedures and a Staff Meeting.
- **Active School Flag**
 - **31st March to 4th April** - Meath Athletics are Coaching each day for all classes.
 - We are taking part in the Skip Around Europe challenge, starting on March 31st.
- **School closes at 12 noon on Friday 11th April 2025 for everyone for Easter.**

Le gach dea-ghuí.
Colin McElroy,
Principal,

Orla Dunne.
Acting Deputy Principal.

Please ensure your child has a pencil and eraser in school with them everyday.

