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# Newsletter 4<sup>th</sup> November 2015





The 5th and 6th classes have been fortunate enough to secure a place to see a new play in the Siamsa Tíre in Tralee. It is being shown on the 9th November at **10:00 a.m.** The play in this series is 'Me, Michael' by Tara McKevitt, based on the character of Michael Evans, from Dancing at Lughnasa by Brian Friel. It is aimed at ages 10+ (5th & 6th class pupils).



### Let's go see Santa

The children from Junior & Senior Infants will have the opportunity to visit Santa's Winter Wonderland at Muckross House / Farms in early December. This is a magical day out which will involve the children partaking in a 'meet and greet' with Santa. A detailed note will follow later.

### **Mass on Holy Days**

Tues Dec 8<sup>th</sup>

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Wed Jan 6<sup>th</sup>

Feast of the Epiphany

Children will come to school as normal. We will be celebrating 10:30 a.m. Mass in the church with Fr Fergal Ryan on both days.

### Parent / Teacher Meeting

Parent/Teacher meetings will be taking place on Wednesday 18th November and Thursday 19th November.— Please see note at the back of newsletter.

Children are not allowed on the premises or in the vicinity of the school during Parent / Teacher Meetings. We ask you to make alternative arrangements for your children on these evenings.

## Confirmation Enrolment / Light Ceremony 5th December

Confirmation Enrolment / Light Ceremony will take place during the 7:30 p.m. mass in St Mary's Church Beaufort on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

### Do This In Memory Programme for First Holy Communicants

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Mass 1	Sat Oct 24 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm
Mass 2	Sat Nov 7 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm
Mass 3	Sat Nov 24 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm
Mass 4	Sat Dec 19 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm
Mass 5	Sat Jan 16 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm
Mass 6	Sat Feb 13 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm
Mass 7	Sat Mar 12 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm
Mass 8	Sat Apr 2 <sup>nd</sup>	7:30 pm
Mass 9	Sat Apr 30 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm
Mass 10	Sat Jun 7 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm

### **Confirmation**

Confirmation 'I am your witness' talk for 6th class will take place in Cullina National School Hall next Wed 11<sup>th</sup> November

**Time:** 7:30 p.m.

Speaker: Conor Bradley
Please park in school car
park at rear of school.
Enter Hall via Hall Door in
car park.

### A Special Thank You

to all those who attended the opening ceremony for our New Building Extension. If you couldn't make it on the day please feel free to call in to the school at any time and view our extension at your leisure.

### Parent / Teacher Meetings: Wed 18th November and Thur 19th November 3:15 p.m. - 4:45



## School will close at **2:45 p.m.** on **Wed 18<sup>th</sup> and Thur 19<sup>h</sup>** to facilitate the Parent/Teacher Meetings.

### Buses will collect the children on that day at 2:45 p.m.

Children who do not travel by bus are asked to be collected at 2:45 p.m.

As a staff we wish to facilitate all parents with our Parent / Teacher meeting schedule. For that reason our meetings will take place over a two evening period -

Parents whose surnames begin with 'A' to 'H' should come on Wed 18<sup>th</sup> 3:15pm to 4:45pm

Parents whose surnames begin with '1' to '2' should come on Thur 19<sup>th</sup> 3:15pm to 4:45pm

Please accommodate the teachers by attending the meetings on the specified dates. As you can appreciate it is very difficult for teachers to have unscheduled meetings outside of these times. In **exceptional** cases we will of course facilitate your request. Please inform the class teacher in advance if you are unable to attend the Parent/Teacher meeting

#### You may find the following chart helpful for the Parent/Teacher Meeting

Class	Teacher	Room
Jnr Inf Snr Inf	Miss Cronin	8
1st Class	Mr O'Mahony	1
2nd Class	Miss O'Shea	2
3rd Class	Mrs Harmon	3
4th Class	Mr Delaney	4
5th Class 6th Class B	Mrs Murphy	14
6th Class	Mr Firzgerald	5
Jnr Autism	Mrs Walsh	9
Sen Autism	Miss Counihan	10
Learning Support	Miss Tuohy upport Mr O'Sullivan	
Resource	Mrs Hayes Ms Doyle	6 11



### **Road Safety:**

Now the Winter Season is here our children are precious and their safety is of utmost importance to us in Cullina N.S. The roads surrounding our school are dangerous and we ask you to be ever vigilant when collecting and dropping off children particularly



at 9:20 in the morning, 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. in the evening. Children with bicycles should be advised by their parents of the safety to be taken on their journey to and from school. We will be giving the children cycling to school visibility jackets.

We thank you for collecting your children promptly after school as this reduces the risk of any serious accident occurring in or around the school grounds.

### In Tune for Life Concert INEC Killarney 21st November 2015

I'm very pleased to tell you that our school has been selected by our Tradtime music teacher to participate in the gala concert of Traditional Music, Song and Dance in the INEC on Saturday November 21st in support of the Donal Walsh#Livelife Foundation.

This is a fantastic opportunity for the chosen student to perform in the INEC with some of Irelands finest young traditional musicians. Built around the In Tune For Life Orchestra of nearly ninty young musicians, who are just back from a very successful performance in Italy, the show will include 30 well known musicians from the four corners of Ireland along with 40 Kerry musicians! Apart from this our schools participation is a key part of the evening. The night will also involve other exciting and electrifying performances including World Champion Dancers such as David Geaney, the Sliabh Luachra, Spa, Kilcummin and Glenflesk set dancers, Mc Grath Dancers from Tipperary, the Thomas McDonagh Pipe Band from Tipperary, The Munster Rugby Choir, The Rose of Tralee: Elysha Brennan to name but a few.

Our Fear an Tí for the night will be none other than Micheál Ó Huircheartaigh.

The night is a benefit night for the Donal Walsh '#LiveLife' Foundation.

#### Tickets are priced as follows: Adults €25 Children €15 Family 2+2 €65 (Can be bought through the school)

A selection of 15 pupils from 5th & 6th Class will be chosen to play along with this large group of Musicians on the night—3 tunes. The children to participate will be selected by drawing the names out of a hat. However, once chosen the parents of those children must be free to attend a practice session on the morning of the Concert in the INEC —details to follow. The parents must be free to attend the venue on that same night. It will be a marvellous experience for the children taking part in this Trad Concert. Keep practising your tunes—

Foggy Dew 2. Shores of Pontchartrain 3. Inisheer (All Children)

### A big thank you

to the Junior / Senior Infant class parents who skyped the children over the past week as Part of their 'People in our Community' S.E.S.E. Curricu-The children in lum. Jnr/Snr Infants will soon skype a group of children of a similar age in China

Hello Children 你好孩子

Special thank you to the Johnston Family who generously donated art materials to the school recently

## Congratulations

To Úna & Dan Harmon on their recent marriage. We wish them a long and happy life together.

### **Children Visit Lee Strand** Milk Plant

A very enjoyable day was had by 2<sup>nd</sup> Class pupils in Lee Strand Milk Plant. It was very informative and the children received a goody bag to bring home.







Junior Entrepreneur Project

The school will participate in the Junior Entrepreneur Programme (JEP) from November to March. This programme will help the pupils to develop skills including literacy, writing, presentation skills, consumer awareness and team building.

<u>Aistear:</u> As part of the Infant Curriculum the Jnr & Snr Infants are engaging in a programme of creative play. We would appreciate items for their creative play, which you may have at home and are no longer using.

Class teacher will give a list of these items shortly.

### **News from Parents Association**

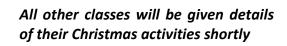
We would like to thank all parents who attended our AGM on Oct 15<sup>th</sup>. A good discussion was had on a broad range of events and topics . Our committee for 2015 is Margaret Crowley (Treas.), Fiona O Leary (Sec), and Miriam Galvin/Mangan (Chair). A big thank you to Denis McDonnell for his years of service on the committee! Also a great afternoon was had last Sunday with our Halloween party, thanks for all the lovely home baking, our volunteers who helped out and our prize sponsors.







Class	Date	Play	
5th / 6thB	Thur 10th Dec 10:00 a.m.	Straw and Order	
6th	Thur 10th Dec 11:30 a.m.	Stable Manners	
Jnr / Snr Inf	Fri 11th Dec 10:00 a.m.	Rolf the Reindeer	
3rd / 4th	Fri 11th Dec 11:30 a.m.	Aladdin	









Day	Date	Time	Event	Location
Saturday	Nov 7	7:30 p.m.	Do This in Memory First Holy Communi- cants	St Mary's Church Beau- fort
Monday	Nov 9	10:00 am	'Me Michael' Play	Siamsa Tíre Tralee
Wednesday	Nov 11	7:30 p.m.	I am your Witness Confirmation Class	Cullina NS Hall
Wednesday	Nov 18	3:15—4:45 p.m.	Parent / Teacher Meeting (A-H)	Cullina NS
Thursday	Nov 19	3:15—4:45 p.m.	Parent / Teacher Meeting (I-Z)	Cullina NS
Saturday	Nov 21	8:00 p.m.	Trad Concert	INEC Killarney
Saturday	Nov 24	7:30 p.m. Mass	Do This in Memory First Holy Communi- cants	St Mary's Church Beaufort
Saturday	Dec 5th	7:30 p.m. Mass	Ceremony of Enrolment/Light Confirmation Class	St Mary's Church Beaufort
Dec date to be arranged		Lets go see Santa	Jnr & Snr Infants	Muckross Farm
Thursday	Dec 10	10:00 a.m.	5th / 6thB	School Hall
Thursday	Dec 10	11:30 a.m.	6th	School Hall
Friday	Dec 11	10:00 a.m.	Jnr & Snr Infants	School Hall
Friday	Dec 11	11:30 a.m.	3rd / 4th	School Hall
Saturday	Dec 19	7:30 p.m. Mass	Do This in Memory First Holy Communi- cants	St Mary's Church Beaufort
Tuesday	Dec 22	10:30 a.m.	Christmas Mass	School Hall
Tuesday	Dec 22	12:00 Noon	Christmas Holidays	School Closed
Saturday	Jan 16	7:30 p.m. Mass	Do This in Memory First Holy Communi- cants	St Mary's Church Beaufort
Saturday	Feb 13	7:30 p.m. Mass	Do This in Memory First Holy Communi- cants	St Mary's Church Beaufort
Tuesday	Feb 16	11:00 a.m.	Confirmation	St Mary's Church Beaufort
Saturday	May 28	10:30 a.m.	First Holy Communion	St Mary's Church Beaufort

