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## Newsletter 10<sup>th</sup> January 2018

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*A Thuismitheoirí  
Ath Bhláin Nua faoi mhaise do chách ó fhoireann na scoile uilig*

### School Closures:

School closed: **Wednesday January 24<sup>th</sup>:** In-service Day for Teachers - New Language Curriculum Programme.

School closed: **Mid-term break February 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>.**

School closed: **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March Public Holiday**

School closed: **March 26<sup>th</sup> to April 6<sup>th</sup> (incl) Easter holidays.**



### Enrolment



Anybody intending to enroll children for school year 2018/2019 please do so now. Also if you know of any new families starting school this September please let them know as we are currently taking enrolments. Enrolment forms are available from the office at Cullina National School. There will be an induction afternoon for parents and children in June – date to be confirmed.

### Confirmation :

6<sup>th</sup> Class will celebrate **Confirmation** on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February** in **St. Mary's Church, Beaufort** at **11:00 a.m.**  
**The school will remain open as normal for the rest of the children and staff on Confirmation Day.**

### First Holy Communion:

First Holy Communion **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April** in **St Mary's Church Beaufort.**



### Flu Season :

The HSE has issued the following guidelines  
Leaflets attached  
<https://tinyurl.com/y89xdg6j>

## Website

We will be launching our new school website shortly. I hope you have enjoyed our Facebook page and our updates



### Credit Union Quiz :

Four teams will represent Cullina National School in the Credit Union Quiz which takes place on Sunday **28<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at 1:00 p.m.** Venue to be decided.

Mr Vincent Moriarty, Retired Teacher and Quiz enthusiast, will act as coach to the teams going forward. Táimid thar a bheith buíoch do Vincent as a chabhair ar fad—

We are very grateful to Vincent for all his help.

A selection process (open quiz) will take place shortly to decide on the teams to represent the school. Good luck to everyone. Quiz books at the ready

### Summary of School Events taking place at the moment

#### AFTER SCHOOL

1. **Choir Practice**— Practice resumes today (Wed 10th)
  - New Members Welcome
  - Adult supervision would be appreciated
  - **Contact Delia 0879636083**
2. **Basketball**— Recommences on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb and continues until Easter on the following dates — Feb 6<sup>th</sup>, Feb 27<sup>th</sup>, Mar 6<sup>th</sup>, Mar 13<sup>th</sup> and Mar 20<sup>th</sup>
3. **Art Classes**— Resume on Friday 26th Jan
4. **Spanish**— Has resumed Tuesday 9th Jan
5. **P.E. Club with Amy**— Resumes in February—details to follow

#### DURING SCHOOL HOURS

1. **Comhaltas — (For all Classes)** - Resumes next Monday 15th Jan until Mid-Term
  - No Fee necessary as this was included in your voluntary contribution in Sept
2. **Tag Rugby**— Begins next Thursday 18th Jan for 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th Classes (4week block)
  - Rugby Coach from Munster Rugby Branch
3. **Active Kingdom Physical Education Programme: For all Classes**

A block of four P.E. Classes designed and delivered by highly qualified and experienced P.E. professionals will be coming to the school shortly. Active Kingdom have experience teaching P.E. and Fundamental Movement Skills classes in numerous school and groups in Kerry and Limerick. They will be concentrating on gymnastics.

Classes are specifically designed and delivered cognisant to the class age group and ability levels. Classes target the holistic development of students through physical, cognitive and social domains. Active Kingdom bring all the equipment and resources necessary to run classes.

All costs will be covered by the school from your voluntary contribution at the beginning of the year. Any shortfall in money will be covered by the school.

## Stay Safe Programme

Stay Safe Programme is mandatory for all Irish Schools. Recently the programme has been revised and we have outlined some of the details of this programme below.



**Dear Parent,**

We are planning to teach a personal safety education programme called Stay Safe over the next few weeks. The aim of the Stay Safe programme is to teach children personal safety skills so they can look after themselves in situations which could be upsetting or dangerous. It deals initially with common situations which most children will experience at some stage or other, e.g. getting lost or being bullied. The programme also teaches children the safety skills necessary to protect themselves from physical or sexual abuse and emphasizes the importance of telling a trusted adult about any problems they have.

The Stay Safe programme is part of the Social, Personal and Health Education curriculum which all primary schools are required to implement. Co-operation between parents and teachers is essential to the success of this programme. It is important that parents are aware of the content of the Stay Safe lessons and are able to discuss the lessons with their children. Your child may bring home worksheets which will inform you on the topics being covered in class and how you can reinforce the messages at home.

You can familiarize yourself with the content of the Stay Safe lessons at [www.staysafe.ie/teachers/resources.htm](http://www.staysafe.ie/teachers/resources.htm) Please contact the school if you wish to discuss the programme further.

Thank you for your co-operation

*Máire Bn Uí Chronín*

*Príomh-oidé*

## Christmas Fundraiser Tree of Light

A big Thank You to everyone for supporting our 'Tree of Light' Fundraiser. It was a great success due to the tremendous support of so many people that helped out in so many ways.

**Our final tally was €7435.00 Fantastic Support Thanks Again**

Our I.T. Consultant, Mr Derek George, Consult PC has advised us to invest our funds in technology to upgrade our current I.T. System in the school.

The final utilisation of these funds will be decided upon by the new and incoming Principal.

## Baby News:

Congratulations to Lisa and Bart Murphy on the birth of their beautiful baby

*Máire Bn Uí Chronín*  
*Príomhoide*