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October Newsletter

1. Assembly

This month at Assembly we will be discussing

- Headlice – having hair tied up for school every morning.
- Gates – entering school from the correct gate.
- Fire Drills – correct procedures and assembly points.
- Student Council – 3rd to 6th class

2. Communion

Registration for First Holy Communion will take place on Tuesday 17th October at 8.30pm in the Parish Hall.

Enrolment Ceremony for the First Holy Communion will take place on Sunday 22nd October at 11.30 am mass.

3. Confirmation

The Information night for Parents will be held on Wednesday 18th October @ 8.30 pm.

4. Violin

Violin is in full swing for classes from 1st to 6th. Many thanks to those who have already paid their fees. Just a reminder to those who haven't paid yet that the fee is €40 per year that can be paid in two instalments of €20.

5. Funathon

This year we will once again be dressing up for Halloween on Friday 27th October. The children are encouraged to wear homemade costumes and to bring in a dress up fee of €2 on the day. This year we won't be having a competition for the best dressed costume as I feel it puts unnecessary pressure on everyone.

6. Parent Teacher Meetings

The Parent Teacher Meetings for 1st to 6th class will take place on Tuesday 14th November from 3 – 5 pm. As in previous years the teacher may arrange some meetings before/ after school on dates around this time.

The Junior and Senior Infant meetings are held at the end of January / beginning of February each year.

7. Football

The girls under 11 football team have recently played two matches. They won their first match against Scoil Ui Riada in Kilcock with a score of 4.2 to 1.7. A huge well done to all. They lost their second match against Kill last week. They girls are training hard for their next match against Maynooth in a few weeks time.

8. **6th Class Basketball:**

Basketball training has now commenced for our sixth class girls who had their first sixth class training session on Wednesday 27th September. We are delighted with the ever increasing number of girls who are signing up for basketball each year and we look forward to working with them over the course of the year.

Cumann na mBunscol Cill Dara:

A team will be chosen from the 6th class group over the next few weeks to compete in the Cumann na mBunscol Large Schools Basketball League which takes place in November and December.

Scoil Bhríde Basketball Blitz:

All of the 6th class girls will compete in a school league which will be held at the end of the season.

9. **Newbridge Brass Band**

On Friday 6th October, the students in 3rd and 4th class were treated to a performance by the Newbridge Brass Band. I would like to thank Hillary Moss for her help in arranging this. It was a wonderful experience for the girls.

10. **Maths week**

Maths week will run from 16th – 20th October. Ms. Eileen Maguire has kindly volunteered to co-ordinate this in the school. The children will participate in some of the following activities.

- Maths Art – each class will create an art display based on maths.
- Maths Fun in the hall – On Tuesday the TY students will assist in running maths stations in the hall.
- Maths eyes
- Maths Quiz for 1st to 6th
- Mangahigh
- Daily Puzzle

11. **Pre school**

Parents of children attending the preschool are reminded that they are not allowed to enter the staff car park across the barriers or to walk across the carpark. Children must not ride on bicycles or scooters on the school grounds. The Board of Management requires this for Health and Safety reasons.

12. **Label Everything**

Please check that your child's name is written clearly on her books, jumpers, bags, lunch boxes etc.

13. **Student Council**

We are in the process of setting up a student council in the school. We will be speaking to the 3rd to 6th class at assembly this week. Thank you to Mrs. Maybury, Ms. Heneghan and Ms. Johnson for working on this.

14. **Mobile Phones**

This is a reminder that all mobile phones must be switched off before entering school grounds. If not students are in breach of our mobile phone policy which can be viewed on the website. Phones can be confiscated if found switched-on on the school premises.

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