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22nd May, 2024.

Dear Parents,

School Closures The school will be closed on **Monday 3rd June** for the June Bank Holiday. On **Friday 7th June** the school and playschool/afterschool will be closed as the school is being used as a polling station for the European and Local Elections.

Grandparents Day Grandparents Day will take place in the school on Friday 31st May. (Please find invitation attached).

Confirmation & First Holy Communion Congratulations to the sixth class students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday 30th April and all those in Mr. Conboy's class who made their First Holy Communion on Saturday 11th May. Special thanks to Ms. Gilhooly and Mr. Conboy for all her hard work in preparing the students for these Sacraments. Also special thanks to Fr. Brendan for such memorable ceremonies. Thank you to Joan Tiernan for the wonderful artwork and decorating Cootehall Church. Thank you to Ms. Martin for organising the choir and also the pupils who took part in the choir for the First Holy Communion Mass.

School Tour We are going to the Shannon River Adventure in Rooskey on our school tour on **Tuesday 28th May, 2024**. The payment for the school tour can be made through the online system Way2Pay [here](#). Please confirm if your child is going on the school tour by this **Friday May 24th** as we are confirming final numbers with Shannon River Centre and Westlink coaches on this day. As all teachers and special needs assistants are going on the school tour, school will not be open for those who are not going on the school tour.

G.A.A. Training Tadhg O'Connor, Club Development Officer continues G.A.A. training with Junior Infants to 6th Class students on Friday and also for Ms. Gilhooly Class on Wednesday afternoon, weather permitting.

Cumann na mBunscol Well done to all the students who took part in the football, camogie and hurling in the last week. They did very well. The girls camogie team have reached their camogie final which will take place next **Wednesday May 29th in Lisnamult, Roscommon at 4 p.m.** Best of luck! All support welcome.

Gardening Lazlo from Knockvicar Organic Centre will be coming to our school on **Tuesday June 4th** for Ms. Tansey's/Ms. Brennan's and Ms. McLoughlin's class.

Heritage in Schools Martina Butler from Heritage in Schools will visit the school on **Wednesday 19th June** to teach the students about rocky seashores and seaweed.

Music Generation Padraig from Music Generation continues teaching our students the ukulele, banjo and guitar in Ms. Brennan/Ms. Conroy's Class, Mr. Conboy's Class and Mr. Duffy's Class for three more weeks. We are asking for a contribution of **€15 per student** for fifteen lessons. This contribution can be paid through the online system Way2Pay [here](#)

New Junior Infants The new Junior Infants will be visiting our school on **Monday 10th June** from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in order to familiarise themselves with their new school surroundings.

Contact Details If there is any change in your contact details, please let the school know so we can update our data base. Click [here](#) for the contact details form.

Absence Form If your child is absent from school for any reason all parents/guardians must complete an Absence Form. Please complete the absence note which is located in the centre of your child's Homework Notebook or click [here](#) for the online Absence Form.

School Reports School Reports will be sent to all families in the final week of term. All other information will be available on our school website during the final week. Our school year finishes on **Friday 21st June at 12.30 p.m.** and the new school year starts on **Wednesday 28th August, 2024** at 9.30 a.m.

Yours sincerely,

Cian Duffy

Principal.