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11th November, 2024.

Dear Parents,

School Closure On Friday 29th November the school and playschool/afterschool will be closed as the school is being used as a polling station for the General Election.

Shoe Box Appeal The students are partaking in the shoe box appeal this year. (Leaflets have been sent out to each family). Thank you to all who have returned their shoeboxes already. Anybody interested in returning their shoebox should bring it back to the school **before tomorrow Tuesday 12th November, 2024.**

Design a Card for Christmas The master cards for the design a card for Christmas has been given out to each student today. We were absolutely delighted with how they turned out and we are sure you will be too. It is a great chance for the students to show off their art skills. All children can keep their master copy and all orders can be made online by parents, if they wish to make a purchase, using your unique reference number or QR code. Final date for placing orders is **Wednesday 20th November.**

Science Show As part of Science Week, the students from 5th and 6th Class are going to the Abbey Community College in Boyle to see a Science Show on **Thursday 14th November, 2024.**

Swimming Lessons Swimming lessons for pupils in fifth and sixth class started in Aura Leitrim Leisure, Carrick-on-Shannon on **Tuesday 5th November** and will run every Tuesday for 5 weeks. **The total cost per pupil is €55.00 for five weeks (€4.00 for Swimming Lesson and €7.00 for bus hire per week) and the remainder will be paid by school funds.**

Parent-Teacher Meetings The Parent-Teacher Meetings will be held in the school on **Wednesday 20th November and Thursday 21st November, 2024.** School will be finishing at 2.50 p.m. on Thursday 21st November 2024 to facilitate these meetings. Buses have been re-arranged to suit this early closing.

School Photos If you would like a school photo, please return your order form to the school before **Friday 15th November, 2024.** (please see leaflet attached)

First Holy Communion First Holy Communion will take place on **Saturday 24th May at 11:30 a.m. in Cootehall Church.**

Confirmation will be held on **Tuesday 8th April at 11.00 a.m. in Cootehall Church.**

G.A.A. Training GAA training finishes tomorrow **Tuesday 12th November**. Thank you to David Wynne (GAA Coach).

Soccer: Soccer training continues on Wednesday's weather permitting for Ms. Gilhooly's, Mr. Conboy's and Mr. Duffy's Class.

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.

Yours sincerely,

Cian Duffy

Principal.