

**S.N. CNOC NA MANACH**  
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13/11/17

Dear Parent / Guardian,

***PARENT/TEACHER MEETINGS***

As previously advised, this year's Parent/Teacher meetings will be held this week on **WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> AND THURSDAY, 16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER** between **2.00pm** and **4.00pm**. Children will finish and leave school at **1.45pm** on each of these days. The usual school bus provision will operate at this time. Please note, once again, the appointment procedure:-

*A sheet with Appointment Times has been placed outside each classroom . Parents may come into the school during school hours and select appointment time(s). Should parents have difficulty securing a suitable time slot, please advise class teacher in writing and a mutually convenient time will be arranged.*

***EARLY CLOSURE***

As previously advised, in order to facilitate **in-service staff training**, children will finish and leave school at **12.00pm** on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**. The usual school bus provision will operate at this time.

***SOCIAL PERSONAL & HEALTH EDUCATION (S.P.H.E.) – GOOD HYGIENE PRACTICE***

As part of the school's **S.P.H.E. Programme**, teachers will be speaking to pupils once again on the importance of hand washing and hygiene etiquette in order to prevent the spread of infection, e.g. vomiting bug, etc. Children will be reminded that hands should be always be washed thoroughly after going to the bathroom and that good hand washing habits will protect against infection. We request that parents/guardians encourage this practice at home as good hand washing breaks the chain of spread and is the single most effective tool in decreasing the spread of infections. We also wish to advise parents/guardians that, in order to avoid spreading infection to others, **please do not send your child to school if he/she is unwell**. Thank you for your co-operation.

***CHRISTMAS CARDS***

Orders continue to be taken for School Christmas Cards. Please note that tomorrow, **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November** is the final day for placing orders. Thank you for your support.

***FOLENS CHRISTMAS ANNUALS***

Orders are now being taken for the Folens Christmas Annuals.

- Súgradh – Junior / Senior Infants
- Spraoi – 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> Class
- Siamsa – 3<sup>rd</sup> / 4<sup>th</sup> Class
- Sonas – 5<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup> Class

The annuals cost **€4** each. Should you wish to place an order, please forward this amount to your child's teacher no later than **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November**.

***PARENTS' ASSOCIATION CAKE SALE***

The Parents' Association are holding a cake sale at the Christmas Fayre on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November in the Tracton Arts Centre. A note is attached regarding same.

***SCHOOL CHRISTMAS RECITAL***

A School Christmas Recital will take place on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 7.00pm** in **the Sacred Heart Church, Minane Bridge**. Pupils and staff are busy preparing for this festive event and we look forward to welcoming families on the night. Please note that all children must be accompanied and supervised by parents/guardians.

***SWIMMING 2018 – THIRD to SIXTH CLASSES***

Swimming classes for third to sixth classes will commence on **Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018**. A note outlining details is attached for relevant families.

Yours faithfully,

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*Con O'Callaghan*  
*School Principal*

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