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Newsletter April 9th 2024

Dear parents,

I hope this newsletter finds you and your family well.

The Board of Management and staff have decided that ongoing practice of parents dropping their children on the school premises before 9.00am can not continue in the future for insurance and Child Safeguarding reasons. These children are not being supervised and the school would be liable for any accidents that may occur before teacher supervision begins. We have pleaded in newsletters throughout the year to ask parents not to drop their children to school before 9.00am. The school bus also arrives before supervision commences. We are left with no other option but to have an earlier school opening/closing time for the next school year 2024/2025. We would like to get your input on these changes. Please follow the link below to answer the preferred opening time/closing time survey:
https://forms.gle/SmUEcdzP9p1SxqqXA

The results of our Smartphone Voluntary Agreement research questionnaire are follows:

100% of parents who replied to the survey said that primary school aged children should not own their own smartphone. 82% of parents would like to be part of a voluntary agreement regarding smartphones for their children.

Based on the results of the questionnaire, we will proceed to draw up a draft Smartphone Volunteer Agreement that parents can voluntarily opt in or opt out of. **Please note that the children are not allowed to bring a mobile phone to school.**

Our Rock Your Socks Fundraiser for Down Syndrome Ireland raised €496. Thank you for your generous donations.

We would ask all parents not to park in front of the teachers' cars when dropping off and collecting children at the school.

Congratulations to our Boys team and to Jamie (5th class) who both finished second in the Cross Country Running in Rathcoffey GFC before the Easter holidays. Well done to all who took part in the event

Fifth and Sixth class will commence swimming lessons in K-Leisure, Athy at 10am on Thursday April 11th for eight weeks.

Cumann na mBunscol matches

Our Cumann na mBunscol leagues start this week for our various school teams.

Well done to our Senior Boys who defeated Scoil Mhicil Naofa, Athy in Athy today.

The other fixtures arranged are as follows:

Senior Girls v Scoil Mhic Aodh in Moone on Wednesday at 10.15am

U10s v Kildangan in Moone on Thursday at 12.00pm.

Senior Boys v Ballysax NS in Suncroft next Tuesday at 1.15pm.

All players must wear gum shields. If they don't have gum shields, they will not be allowed to play as per GAA rules.

Kind regards



Mr. Darragh Flynn

Principal

School Calendar 2023-2024

April 11th: Swimming lessons for 5th/6th class commence

April 23rd: First Penance 1.30pm

May 6th : May Bank Holiday

May 17th : First Holy Communion at 11am

May 24th: Moone Mile (Weather Permitting)

May 29th – June 5th : Mid-Term Break

June 12th: Sports Day (Weather Permitting)

June 17th: 4th/5th class school tour

June 19th: Infants school tour

June 21st: 6th class tour

June 25th: 1st/2nd/3rd school tour

June 28th : School closes for summer holidays at 12.30pm