15th October, 2013.

Dear Parents,

Just to keep you updated on school events.

* Swimming lessons for 2nd, 3rd and 5th classes will commence on Friday November 8th. The cost is €20 per pupil. If you are not able to pay this fee in one payment you may do so in weekly instalments.
* Our 5th and 6th class boys took part in the 1st round of the Rural Schools Hurling last Wednesday. The boys had a good day out. We thank those who travelled with the boys on the day.
* Our football team is taking part this Wednesday in the football competition. Best of luck to the boys involved and those travelling with them.
* Well done to the boys who took part in the Dromtariffe Primary School Quiz last Friday night. We know you are busy preparing for the next quiz, to be held in Knocknagree on October 24th.
* 2nd class pupils will be making their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 10th. A meeting for the parents of children receiving Holy Communion this year from both schools is taking place in the Girls Primary School on Wednesday October 23rd at 7.30p.m. We hope as many of you as possible can attend.
* The Enrolment Service for this year’s Confirmation children will take place on Thursday November 28th at 7.30p.m., in the Church. Best of luck to the children and staff as they prepare for this celebration.
* Our Annual Parent/Teacher meetings are fixed for Thursday November 14th and Monday November 18th. Details of time to be confirmed. We look forward to meeting you then. However if you need to meet a teacher before then, feel free to ring the school for appointment.
* Our Green Schools Committee would like to thank those people who sent in bags of clothes for our collection. It is not too late to send in more, if you have not done so already. Last day for collection is Thursday morning.
* We remind you of the importance of healthy lunches. Enclosed is a brochure which might help you filling up those lunch boxes. As part of our healthy eating programme we hope to introduce a ‘‘Food Dude’’ eating programme after Halloween. This programme is designed to encourage children to eat more fruit and vegetables. The food will be delivered to the school each morning for 16 days. The children will taste the food at school and will receive rewards for this. We hope the children enjoy this programme, and develop a lifelong taste for these fruits and vegetables.
* This week is Maths Week. Each class is participating in Maths Games to celebrate the event.
* Even though it is a little bit early to be thinking of Christmas, the children are busy designing their Christmas Cards, which will be on sale later on in the term. We hope you will be pleasantly surprised with the finished products.
* Next week the children will be busy preparing art work for the Annual Credit Union Art Competition. The theme of this year’s competition is ‘‘Gotta Lotta Colour’’. We wish the boys the best of luck as they endeavour to conquer the theme.
* We remind you to log on to the school website and see what is happening in the school. The address is [www.stcolmansbnskanturk.weebly.com](http://www.stcolmansbnskanturk.weebly.com) We are doing class blogs this year.
* Don’t’ forget you can follow us on twitter @colmansbns
* I remind you that the school will be closing on Friday October 25th and re-opening on Monday November 4th for the mid-term break. We wish everybody an enjoyable and restful break.

I thank you for your continued support and co-operation in the school.

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Principal