

16th May, 2019

Dear Parents,

- We would like to congratulate our 2nd class boys who made their First Holy Communion last Saturday. We hope the children had an enjoyable memorable day. Thanks to the boys who came along to sing and play on the day and well done to all the staff involved in preparing the boys for their big day.
- Thanks to the Parents' Association for organising the refreshments in the Girls School after the ceremony and to the parents who came along and helped serve the tea! Thanks too to all those who helped out at the recent Church Gate Collection.
- A copy of the Holy Communion D.V.D. is available for purchase in the school. The cost is €20 per copy. If interested please give your order with payment to your class teacher by Mon. May 20th. To do so is optional.
- Congratulations to Ronan Hynes (4th) who came 1st place in his category at the Swimming Gala in Mallow yesterday. Well done to all the other children who participated in the event. We had Daniel Vaughan and Brian O'Keeffe (3rd), Dan Lane, Liam Allen and Aidan Mulcahy (4th), Danny Cronin and Seán O'Dea (5th), Eoin O'Keeffe and Killian Mulcahy (6th class). Thanks to the parents who took the children to the event and looked after them for the day.
- Congratulations to Stephen Sheehan in 6th class who will represent Ireland on the U14 Irish Cycling Team in England shortly. Well done, Stephen, and best of luck in the competition.
- We received our 4th Green Flag at an award ceremony in Cork last Monday. We will be celebrating this achievement later on in the term. Well done to everybody involved in this project.
- Congratulations to Micheál O'Sullivan (2nd), Ronan Hynes (4th) and Paul O'Brien whose Art Pictures were highly recommended in the recent Ballyhass Primary School Art Competition. Well done to all the boys who participated.
- We wish Mrs Boyce and 5th class every success as they head off to Dublin on Monday May 20th to present their J.E.P. Project. On Thursday they are heading to Mary Immaculate College, Limerick to participate in the Science Blast Project. We wish them well and hope they have safe enjoyable days out.

- The boys are on their second week of Zumba with Rachel from the Martin Sheehan School of Fitness. We hope they enjoy the sessions.
- Cork City Sports are taking place on Thursday May 30th. We hope those who qualified are practising at home and capitalising on the fine weather! We wish them the best of luck on the day and an enjoyable day out.
- Our school tours have been decided for this year.

1st & 2nd Class will be going to Let's Go, Mallow at a cost of €25 per child on June 19th.

3rd & 4th class are going to Glen Resource Centre, Cork at a cost of €25 per child, on June 24th.

5th & 6th are going to Ballyhass, at a cost of €35 per child on June 24th.

These prices have been heavily subsidised by the sale of Shamrocks, Christmas Card fundraising activities held earlier during the year, and the Parents' Association. You may start paying this money to class teacher from now on.

- Good luck to 3rd class boys taking part in a Hurling Blitz in Mallow next Thursday May 23rd. We hope they have a good day out.
- We look forward to meeting our new 1st class pupils and parents for September on June 7th.
- From June 17th – 21st our school will be participating in Active Schools Week. More details about activities nearer the time.
- We wish all our past pupils the best of luck as they prepare to sit their Junior and Leaving Certificates.
- 6th Class boys will receive the talk (part of the R.S.E. Programme) from our school health nurse on the theme of 'Growing and Changing' this Friday at 11.30am. If you would like to withdraw your child from this session please contact the school.
- As part of our S.S.E. (School Self Evaluation Plan) we will be embarking on a programme called Literacy Lift off next September. We have invested a huge amount of money in resources for this programme. These books must be covered to protect them and we are asking for volunteers to do so. Enclosed is a letter from Ms. McLoughlin explaining the programme in greater detail. Please take time to read and we hope as many as possible will respond to our request to help cover the books. We thank you for your support.
- We remind you that we are closed on May 24th to facilitate the European/ Local Elections.
- Don't forget to log on to the school website for up to date information on school activities. The address is www.kanturkbns.com
- Don't forget you can follow us on twitter [@colmansbns](https://twitter.com/colmansbns)

Thanking you for your support.

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