

19th May, 2016

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!
- We were very honoured to welcome the President of the G.A.A., Mr. Aogán Ó Fearghal to our school last Wednesday May 11th. It was a fantastic and very special occasion in our school. We congratulate the children for their wonderful engagement with the President as they outlined the schools participation in G.A.A. they expressed the significance of the G.A.A. in their own lives and we had a very lively, informative question and answer session with the President. The children also entertained the President with beautiful music and song. A big thank you to all those who prepared the children for the event and who decorated the school. We are very grateful to Kanturk G.A.A. Club who facilitated this visit. We were delighted to welcome the large crowd of people who came on the day to share the occasion with us. We wish the upcoming U14 Féile Competition for boys and girls in June every success and hope the children enjoy participating in the games.
- We congratulate Seamus Hegarty in (1st Class) and Julius Raudys (4th) who were our school winners in an Art Competition held recently to celebrate the opening of new Spar shop in town. We wish the manager Tommy Mullane and his team every success in this retail venture and thank him for his support to our school.
- Well done to the boys who took part yesterday in the Annual Primary Schools Swimming Gala in Mallow. The boys were Danny Cronin (2nd), Stephen Sheehan, Eoin O'Keeffe (3rd), Ewan McConville (4th), Kasparas Martinkus, Paul O'Sullivan, Bryan Healy, Liam Breen, Kallum Young (5th) and Ciarán Donovan & Brandon Hogan (6th class). They had a very enjoyable day out and we are very thankful to those parents who accompanied the children to the event.

- Well done to Kallum Young who came 2nd in a poetry competition on Clicnews. The theme of his poem is ‘Childhood’. Have a look at his poem on the 5th and 6th class blog on our website.
- Well done to our 3rd class boys who participated in a Hurling Blitz last Thursday in Banteer.
- Good luck to our 5th and 6th class boys who are taking part in the Rural School Football Competition today.
- Our recent Clothes Collection realised €291.50. Our Green Schools would like to acknowledge your support in this event.
- Cork City Sports are taking place on Wednesday June 1st. We hope those who qualified are practicing at home and capitalising on the fine weather!
- Our school tours have been decided for this year. All classes will be travelling on June 14th.

1st & 2nd Class will be going to Grenagh Farm at a cost of €15 per child.

3rd & 4th class are going to Glen Resource Centre, Cork at a cost of €30 per child.

5th & 6th are going to U.L. at a cost of €35 per child.

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

- We would like to remind you that our school will be closed on June 6th (Bank Holiday) and 7th (School Holiday).
- Please note our school will be closed to pupils on Monday June 13th as teachers will be doing In Service Training on the new Primary School Language Curriculum.
- 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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