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Dear Parents,

I hope that you have had a lovely summer and are looking forward to the new school year ahead. We would appreciate if you could take note of the below.

Welcome

We would like to welcome our new Junior Infants and their families to Kilrickle National School. We hope that you have a wonderful time here.

Centenary Book:

Our Centenary book is now complete and will soon be published and printed. It contains over 25,000 words and has almost 200 pictures. It is hoped that the book will be launched in the coming term. Thank you to all who have assisted with contributions and a particular thank you must go to our Centenary Committee and Board of Management who worked tirelessly on this project over the last number of months.

New Appointments:

We would like to extend our well wishes to Kate Gallagher who has been appointed as a permanent member of staff to Kilrickle National school. Ms. Gallagher will be teaching in the Junior Room this year. Mrs. Rosaleen Robinson has also been appointed as the school's permanent secretary. We wish them all the best in Kilrickle N.S.

After School and Morning Club:

After School and Morning Clubs will be up and running again this year. Both clubs are run by Elaine Rowley. Morning club is from 8am – 9.10am and After School club runs from 2pm -5pm. This service is provided on each school day. If you would like to make further enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact Elaine on: (087) 1352582.

Book Rental, Art Supplies, and Insurance:

Late last week you would have received a requested to pay for Book Rental, Art Supplies, and Insurance. If you have any queries regarding amounts owed, you can view this on the school booklist section of the website: <https://www.kilricklens.org/booklists-and-calendar>

This payment can be made online via the Aladdin payment system that was in operation last year or in cash.

After School Music:

Ms. Kate Gallagher will be providing traditional music classes to children outside of school hours this year. These classes may be directly before or directly after school and will take place in her classroom. Ms. Gallagher teaches a wide range of musical instruments including concertina, keyboard/piano, piano accordion, banjo, mandolin and tin whistle. If you would like your child to avail of these classes and find out more on pricing, please contact Ms. Gallagher directly on mkgallagher@kilricklens.com.

Tin Whistle with Yvonne:

Yvonne Barrett will be returning Tuesday, September 13th to start her tin whistle classes. These classes will run in the same format as last year. The costs for the term are outlined below. The money should be given to Yvonne on the 13th of September. Classes are for children from 1st class upwards.

€20 for 1 child

€35 for 2 children per family

€45 for 3 children per family

€55 for 4 children per family

Morning Hurling:

Morning hurling will recommence on Monday, September 5th. It will start at 9.00am each school morning and the children will need to bring their own hurl and helmet. It will finish at 9.20am. This is for children from first class upwards. If you do not want to receive morning emails regarding the postponement of morning hurling due to weather etc... please do so by emailing mrgibbons@kilricklens.com

To ensure that these sessions run smoothly, we would like to remind children that they are not to be on the school grounds until 9.10am and not before 9.00am if they are partaking in morning hurling. If a child so wishes to leave their hurl or helmet at school, it should be left in Mr. Gibbons' room only to avoid children entering the school before 9.10am.

Google Calendar:

During the final term last year we began using Google Calendar to keep families up to date with what is happening each day in the school. We will be continuing to use this again this year. You can find a link to it here <https://www.kilricklens.org/booklists-and-calendar>

For easiest access you can download the Google Calendar App. If you have any difficulties viewing it, please let me know.

County Photos:

As you may have noticed on the school Google Calendar, County Photos will be coming to the school on Tuesday, September 6th at 12pm.

School Closure:

The school will be closed on Friday, September 30th. All teachers must engage in training to assist in the implementation of the new Primary Language Curriculum. We will be taking the above date to facilitate this training.

Congratulations:

Congratulations to Mr. Seán Kelly and his wife on the birth of their new baby girl. We wish them every happiness and success in the future.

Summer Works:

Our school grounds are looking wonderful. A great deal of work was done throughout the summer in maintaining the school grounds. Thank you to our parents who maintained the school garden and flower boxes over the summer months. Thank you to all the workers and volunteers who completed jobs around the school over the past two months also.

Contacting Teachers via Email:

If you wish to contact your child's class teacher, you can do so via email:

Ms. Kate Gallagher mskgallagher@kilricklens.com

Mr. Seán Kelly mrkelly@kilricklens.com

Mr. Colm Gibbons mrghibbons@kilricklens.com

Mrs. Gwyneth Lusted glusted@kilricklens.com

School Jerseys:

On Thursday morning a representative from McInerny's Supervalu, Loughrea will be coming to the school to present the new set of jerseys to the children. There will be photos taken of the children in Mr. Gibbons' room with the new jerseys. A sincere thank you to McInerny's Supervalu for sponsoring the jerseys.

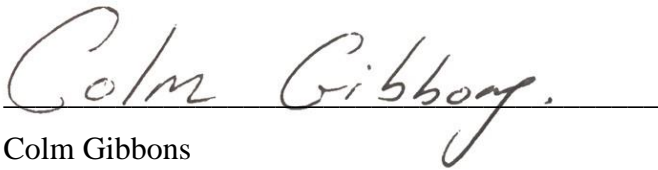
Keeping Updated with School Events:

You can keep up to date on all school events by visiting the school website <https://www.kilricklens.org/> and the school Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/kilricklens/>

Both are updated regularly.

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. If you have any questions remaining, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Le gach dea-ghuí,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Colm Gibbons". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a solid horizontal line.

Colm Gibbons

Principal

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