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Dear Parents,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and that you are looking forward to the Bank Holiday Weekend. A reminder that our school is closed tomorrow, Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup>. We would appreciate if you would take note of the following:

### **First Holy Communion**

A reminder that all children are to be at the church **at 10:50am on the Saturday** – both the First Holy Communicants and those in the choir. The children in the choir do not need to wear their uniform. The ceremony will have finished by 12pm. All children in the choir can be collected from the hall at this time.

### **Welcome**

We would like to welcome Sean Walsh to our school staff. Sean will be working on part time basis with our school as an SNA. We wish Sean the very best.

### **Homework Club**

A reminder that Fridays are an available option for parents who wish to avail of after school services in the school. To ensure viability of the Homework Club on Fridays could you email [mrgibbons@kilricklens.com](mailto:mrgibbons@kilricklens.com) to show your interest in restarting club on this day.

### **Blitz**

Congratulations to our camogie team who won their 5 a side Camogie Blitz today. They now go onto to the finals stage in the Cumann na mBunscol tournament. **Well done to Ms. Gallagher and all the girls.**

### **Open Day**

The school will be having an open day on **Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>** for our new students starting in September. This will be a meet a greet day for the pupils. **The Open Day will begin at 2pm and will finish at approximately 2:45pm.**

### **Manning Cup**

The Manning Cup will take place in Loughrea **on Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**. This is usually an evening time event and we will let you know closer to the time what events your child may be participating in.

### **Confirmation**

Confirmation for the children in 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class will be taking place on **Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 3pm**. Similarly to First Holy Communion we ask that all children in the school sing in the school choir on this day.

However we understand that the **infants will finish at 2pm and therefore they do not need to return to school at 3pm to sing in the choir.**

All children from **1<sup>st</sup> Class upwards therefore can be collected at 4pm** from the school hall on this day.

### **Final Term Dates**

The final term is always very busy, therefore we ask that you keep a close eye on the school's Google calendar so as to keep up to date with various school events - <https://www.kilricklens.org/calendar>

### **Mast**

There continues to be meetings to be held regarding the mast in the village. The next meeting will take place **Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 8pm** in the hall for anyone who wishes to attend.

### **May Alter**

We ask all children to **contribute wild flowers to our May Alter** that is located in the school hallway. This can be done through the course of the whole month of May.

### **Website and Facebook**

Please keep up to date with various school events by checking our school website and Facebook page.

### **Cash for Clobber**

Thank you to all that contributed to our Cash for Clobber collection. We raised over €260. Go raibh maith agaibh go léir!

### **Pre-School**

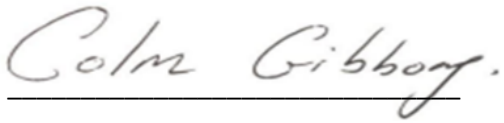
The school's pre-school will be at capacity for the school year 24/25 and is almost at capacity for the school year 25/26. Expressions of interest are being accepted for enrolment years following on from this. **Please contact Patricia Kenny on 086 2485430 if you have any questions regarding future enrolment.**

## School Return

The new school year will begin on **Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>**.

Thank you for taking the time to read this month's Newsletter. School will re-open again next Tuesday. We wish our First Communicants the very best this Saturday.

Le gach dea-ghuí,

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

Colm Gibbons

Principal

Kilrickle National School