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Dear Parents,

I hope this email finds you all well. We would appreciate that you take note of the below as we enter into the final few weeks of the school year.

## **Pre-School and Morning/After School Services**

Our Pre-School and After School facilities will be in operation again in the next school year. The Little Villagers is a pre-school service for children of pre-school age and will run from 9.30am – 12.30pm each day. This is run by Tina Clarke. There are a limited number of places available for 2023/24.

The morning club will run from 8.00am – 9.10am and the after school club will run from 2.00pm – 5pm each school day. This service will be run by Elaine Rowley and is for the children attending Kilrickle National School.

If you would like to find out more about these services please do not hesitate to contact Tina Clarke (Pre-School) at <a href="mailto:tinaconthenet@yahoo.ie">tinaconthenet@yahoo.ie</a> or Elaine Rowley (After School/Morning Club) <a href="mailto:087-1352582">087-1352582</a>.

#### Camogie Cumann na mBunscol Finals

As you are aware the girls are competing in the school camogie finals in **Loughgeorge on Tuesday** 13th June. We will be playing Kilglass NS. This game is at 10am and therefore will need to be leaving from the school at 8.20am. All children in Mr. Kelly's Class and Mr. Gibbons class will be attending the final. Parents and teachers travelling to the final will be bringing these children to the games. The children are aware as to what car they are travelling in. Thank you to all the staff and parents who are providing transport. If your child will not be attending please let your child's class teacher know.

Thank you to the Board of Management who sponsored shorts for the team and flags and banners for the supporters and thank you also to the Parents Association who have kindly purchased socks for the girls. This is a very proud day for our school and we wish Ms. Gallagher who has trained the team and all the panel the very best of luck. Beir Bua!

# **School Tours**

The children from Mr. Gibbons and Mr. Kelly's classes will be going to Emerald Park (Formerly Tayto Park) on Thursday, June 14<sup>th.</sup> **The children will be leaving Kilrickle N.S. at 8.30am and will return at approximately 8.00pm.** There will be food provided at Emerald Park and the children will also be going to Supermacs in the Kinnegad Plaze on the route home for food which has been incorporated in the cost of the tour. Children may wish to bring pocket money to buy other food items on the trip. All electronics including phones, games devices, music players are not to be brought on the tour.

The children from Ms. Gallagher's class room will be going to Sleive Aughty on Thursday 14th June also. This tour will take place during school day hours. The children in Ms. Gallagher's room are asked to bring a full packed lunch for the trip.

All the children in the school will be going to visit Athenry Castle on Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. This trip will take place during school hours.

If you have not paid for your child's tours a payment request will be sent to you in the coming days.

#### **Google Calendar**

As you can see there are many important events occurring in the coming days and weeks and therefore we ask that you keep a close eye on the school's Google Calendar - <a href="https://www.kilricklens.org/booklists-and-calendar">https://www.kilricklens.org/booklists-and-calendar</a>

## **Booklists**

As mentioned previously, **parents no longer need to buy school books or copies** for the upcoming school year. **You are asked to purchase your child's stationery**. A stationary list will be sent out to all families along with your child's school report. As per usual, you are asked to **contribute to the cost of arts and crafts, photocopying** etc... and this cost is outlined on the stationary list. This payment can be made in the new school year through the school's on-line payment system.

#### **Pupil Reports**

Pupil Reports will be available to be picked up from Rosaleen at the school office on Wednesday, June 14th from 2 - 3.00 pm.

#### **Sports Day**

Sports Day will be taking place on Wednesday, June 21st. A letter is attached detailing the day.

#### **Final Day of School and Graduation**

School will finish at 12pm on Friday, June 23rd. Our Graduation ceremony will be held in Mr. Gibbons' room and the ceremony will begin at 11.15am. All parents are welcome to attend the event as we hope incorporate the ceremony with songs, poems and tunes that all children have learnt since the beginning of the year. There will also be a presentation made to Bishop Kirby on the day as he will be soon celebrating his 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary since being ordained a bishop.

#### **Hurling Blitz**

There will be a hurling blitz in Cappataggle for the boys and girls in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> classes on Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. We will require lifts to bring children and from to this event. Ms. Gallagher will be accompanying the children to this event. If you can assist in bringing children to and from the event could you please email <a href="mailto:mskgallagher@kilricklens.com">mskgallagher@kilricklens.com</a>. The children will need to leave at 11.40am and we should return before 2pm.

# **Lost and Found**

There are a number of items on the Lost and Found rail. These **items will be disposed of on Friday**, **June 16th.** If you wish to take any items from the rail please do so before then. The rail is inside Mr. Gibbons' class room and can be accessed at any time during the school day.

### **School Garden**

We have been very busy in the garden this term and the fruits of our labour are beginning to show. We would therefore appreciate greatly if you could assist, (as was done during previous summers), in maintaining our school garden.

Below is a list of jobs that will need to be attended to...

- Flowers, shrubs, plants, window boxes and trees need to be watered.
- The school garden to be kept as weed free as possible.
- The school garden be kept neat and tidy.
- Take home and enjoy any vegetables that are ready to harvest!

Please select the week(s) you and your family are available to help maintain the school garden by selecting the appropriate dates on this <u>Google Doc.</u>

All necessary garden tools and equipment can be found in the shed beside the school tap in the infant yard. If at any point there is no water, please do not hesitate to contact me – mrgibbons@kilricklens.com.

# **Morning Hurling**

Our morning hurling sessions will finish for the year on **Thursday**, **June 22nd** and will continue again in September. Thank you to all who supported this initiative.

# **Return to School**

We will be returning to school on **Thursday**, **August 31**<sup>st</sup>. The school calendar for the upcoming year is linked <u>here</u>.

# **School Website and Facebook Page**

Please keep up to date with other various events by visiting our school website or by viewing our school's Facebook page.

https://www.kilricklens.org/

https://www.facebook.com/kilricklens/

Thank you for taking the opportunity to read this newsletter.

Le gach dea-ghuí,

Colm Gibbons

Principal

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