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## School Newsletter Easter 2021

<p><b><u>Easter Bunny</u></b></p> 	<p>The Easter bunny delivered Easter eggs to the school this morning to say well done to all of the children in the school! It has been a difficult year for everybody and we are so proud of the pupils in the way that they have participated in distance learning and adapted so well to new daily procedures in the school. Well done to all the children and their families and the Easter bunny has given a treat to every child in the school to bring home at the start of the Easter holidays!</p>
<p><b><u>Book Week 2021</u></b></p> 	<p>We enjoyed some wonderful class activities as part of World Book Day 2021. Students in the Infant classrooms shared some of their favourite nursery rhymes and fairy tales. They went outdoors in the early sunshine to enjoy them together. Staff members recorded readings of their favourite books and these recordings were presented on the interactive whiteboards in many of the classrooms. It was a great way of having a visitor, even if we had to do it virtually this year. Boys and girls in second class decided to make surveys on their favourite books. The students in the senior classes made illustrations from some of their favourite authors. Thank you to Ms O'Connor for leading another successful World Book Day.</p>
<p><b><u>Thank You!</u></b></p> 	<p>Thank you to parents who recently donated Gaelic footballs and PPE to the school, your kindness is very much appreciated.</p>
<p><b><u>Well Done!</u></b></p> 	<p>Well done to Ayla in 3<sup>rd</sup> class who recently helped to launch the FAI's new School Zone online portal. Ayla is a wonderful footballer who can now add media skills to her list of talents!</p>

<p><b><u>School Calendar</u></b></p> 	<p><b><i>Easter 2021:</i></b></p> <p>School will be closed from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2021 inclusive. School will reopen on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021</p> <p><b><i>May Bank Holiday 2021:</i></b></p> <p>School will be closed on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021.</p> <p><b><i>June Bank Holiday 2021:</i></b></p> <p>School will be closed from Friday 4<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021 inclusive. School will reopen on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021.</p> <p><u>School year will finish on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021.</u></p>
<p><b><u>Staying Safe</u></b></p> 	<p>We have all been making a tremendous effort to keep one another safe and well during these challenging times. Thank you to the boys and girls, parents, guardians, staff and wider school community for working together to protect everyone during this public health emergency. We are all reminded to redouble our efforts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remain two metres apart when dropping and collecting students at the classroom doors</li> <li>• Wear face coverings unless an exception applies</li> <li>• Sanitise hands regularly</li> <li>• Practise good respiratory hygiene</li> <li>• Please be vigilant not to congregate on the school grounds at assembly and dismissal times</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>School Start Time = 8.50a.m.</u></b></p> 	<p>While our doors are open from 8:30 a.m. each morning, formal instruction does not begin until 8:50 a.m. Families should not feel under pressure to arrive to school at 8:30 a.m. and, especially in the case of younger children, arriving closer to 8:50 a.m. is preferable so that the children are not sitting and waiting for too long before formal instruction begins.</p>
<p><b><u>Extra layers</u></b></p> 	<p>As the school and classrooms have windows open to ensure good ventilation, pupils should wear a base layer under their uniform and may also bring an appropriate fleece top to wear in class if required.</p>
<p><b><u>Dogs, Bicycles, Scooters and Flickers on School Grounds</u></b></p> 	<p>Dogs are not allowed on the school grounds with the exception of assistance dogs.</p> <p>Adults and children entering the school grounds on bicycles/scooters/flickers etc. should dismount at the school gate and walk through the school grounds to ensure the safety of all.</p>