



School Newsletter April 2022

Dear Parents,

We hope you all had a lovely Easter Break. We are into our last term and would like to give you a very quick update on what is coming up and what is planned.



Communion

Our communion class will receive their *first confessions on Mon 24th and Tues 25th May.*

The communion is on Saturday 28th May at 14:00 in Moynalvey Church.

New Infants Meet and Greet.

We are looking forward to meeting with our new entrants for September 2022 and their families on the 26th May 2022 at 18:00 in the school.



School Tours

It is great that the school tours are back and we are looking forward to the following:

6 th May	Castletown House	5 th 6 th Class History Tour
1 st June	Mellows Adventure Centre	Junior and Senior Infants
2 nd June	Navan Adventure Centre	1 st and 2 nd Class
3 rd June	Carlingford Adventure Centre	3 rd , 4 th 5 th Class
14 th June	Lilliput Adventure Centre	6 th Class



Active School

Our Active School Slogan is

‘If You Think Sports Isn’t For You, Try It With A Friend or Two’ which was created by Nathan O’Connor in 5th Class.

Running Initiative.

During the month of May, all classes will participate in a running initiative.

Every lap of the school/pitch run is the equivalent of approximately 1km.

Classes will run a distance from Dublin in kilometers to the following European cities.

Junior and Senior Infants will run to London.

1st and 2nd Class will run to Brussels.

3rd and 4th Class will run to Luxembourg.

5th and 6th Class will run to Minsk.

Occupational Therapy Trial

Occupational Therapy is a healthcare profession that uses meaningful occupations (anything that takes up the child's time) to help them participate in what they need/ want to do, to promote physical and mental health and well-being. School-based Occupational Therapy is designed to support the child's ability to fully engage and be successful in the learning environment, e.g. motor skills, activities of daily living regulation, attention and concentration and sensory processing.

The school is delighted that we have been able to secure a six week trial with the Sensory Room OTT, who are based in Kilmessen and this initiative has been fully backed by the Board of Management. This trial will commence on the 29th April, and we are initially going to focus on children who are currently taking support and particularly the children currently in sensory circuits. The Sensory OTT team will review these pupils and devise a plan and also train our teachers based on our needs. Our hope is to be able to roll this out to all pupils who we believe require it after this initial trial.

After school Activities

We have had feedback that parents would like to see additional afterschool activities. The school would have sent out a quick survey to gauge what parents would like. As you may or may not be aware, all aspects of afterschool and use of school buildings have to go through a process whereby the diocese has to approve. We currently have Irish Dancing on a Thurs and a homework club Mon- Thurs, these are run independently of the school. We will be reviewing all feedback to see if we can facilitate any further activities.

Summer Camp Moynalvey School

Summer Camp available to all students commencing the 25th-29th July 2022. Activities include Sports and games Dance Art and Craft, Treasure Hunt, Water Games, Music Baking Science Experiments. Contact Details: Anna Flynn 086 8651961 (please use for Summer Camp purposes only)

Policies

Attendance Policy- Policy circulated to parents for feedback. We thank those who reverted; we are currently reviewing the feedback and will revert separately with clarification.

The Board of Management have recently ratified the following policy:

Mobile Phone Policy- The school has a strict no mobile phone policy in the school

Parents Association Policy.

Health and Safety Policy

School Website

We are currently working on updating our website, where all the above policies will be easily accessible to all.

Enjoy the long weekend, let's hope the sun stays shining.

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