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September Flies By -Onwards We March Into October

Dia daoibh go léir. September went by in a flash by & the boys have had an extremely busy few weeks here in school. We're delighted with + how well our Juniors have settled into school.

Unfortunately, quite a lot of holidays were taken in September. No month is a good time to take holidays during term time, but September is particularly problematic. We've a few weeks to go before the mid-term break. We want all our boys to be attendance heroes - HERE, EVERY DAY, READY, ON TIME

Incubator Project

In collaboration with Nore Valley Open Farm, we are keeping a very close eye on our eggs which are due to hatch around Weds 8 October. Excitement is building as the countdown begins. We've seven fertilised eggs! Here's hoping for some fluffy chicks!



Athletics Team

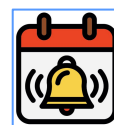
Ms Tríona O'Donoghue led a 40 plus strong team to Thurles for the Primary Schools Cross Country Championships. Every single boy finished their race & we'd some medal winners too!



Eoghan, Oisín & "Liam"

We were so proud of our past pupils Eoghan and Oisín when they visited school on 15 September. A brilliant occasion. Pics & video on website.

Reminders for October



1. This school is **nut free**. No nuts or products containing nuts allowed.
2. All **school absences need to be explained by a parent**. The easiest way of doing this is via our Aladdin App.
3. School is closed on Friday 24 October as the school will be used as a polling station for the **Presidential Election**.
4. Our own 3rd to 6th **Student Council elections** will take place this on Thurs 9 October. Encourage your son to get involved.
5. **Plain navy tracksuit pants from** Mon 6 October onwards.
6. **New Junior Infants Curriculum Information Evening** at 6.30pm on Tuesday 21 October.
7. **Nasal Flu Vaccines** will be available in school on 16 October. More details to follow.



A Smile Can Go A Long Way

September and October are the months where we focus on making and maintaining **Friendships** in school. We put a huge focus on the importance of kind hands, kind feet and kind words. We have a robust Anti-Bullying Policy as well, but the boys have to tell us (or you) if something is going on. Remember we're a **telling and listening school**.

Ukulele lessons with Dereck from Music Generation Tipperary have started in classes from 4th class up. Third Class will start their lessons later in the academic year.

Ms O'Donoghue will be bringing a select team of athletes to the **Clonmel AC Cross Country Meet** on 15 October from 12pm. Also, we two **Gaelic Football blitzes** coming up: U11 on Monday 6 October in Templemore and U13 on Weds 8 October in Holycross. Support always welcome. Our 6th and 4th classes will finish their six week block of **swimming** this month. 3rd & 5th classes will commence in November. The Infant Classes and Fifth Class will finish up with their **cycling lessons** which have, once again, proved to be a big hit and success.

For those boys in Sixth Class who will be receiving the sacrament of **Confirmation** next March, the **enrolment ceremony** is on at 7pm on Friday 24 October, the night of the Presidential election.



Our HSCL Rachel

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Parent and Baby class is back on October 21st in SFRC. Our annual coffee morning for International families will be on Wednesday, October 22nd. More information on these will be sent in the coming weeks. If anyone needs help using their Aladdin app or lunchbag app get in touch.



School Lotto

Google OurFundraiser St John the Baptist Primary Schools Cashel to join

The jackpot still stands at **€3000**.

The weekly winners this month were: Mr Paudie O'Carroll (x2), Sinéad O'Connell and Olena Yashchuk. There's a Halloween Giveaway Competition for those entered in the draw on 23 October.

News from our BOM, Parent Association & Wider School Community

The Board of Management will hold its **first meeting** of this academic year on Weds 15 October at 7.30pm. The Board is pleased that Mr Ryan & Mrs Callanan recently attended training on the **New Child Protection Procedures (2025)** & commit to having the new procedures in place by the end of 2026 at the very latest.

The Board is aware that the school is part of the **Anseo Attendance pilot** and looks forward to working with the school community to improve attendance across the board.

The Parent Association AGM took place on 11 September. Many thanks to all our committed parents who turned out. The PA was delighted to present €500 to the school to help with the cost of the new Ukuleles. The PA is holding its annual **Church Gate collection** this weekend. Sinéad is looking for one or two volunteers and can be contacted @ 086-066 9366.

