

Coolderry Central School Newsletter

February 2024

February is going to be a busy month for the school. Swimming is starting for our senior classes; hurling is continuing with Luke every Wednesday and this month our First and Second class will be busy preparing for their First Confession.

Many thanks for everyone's co-operation in relation to appointment times for the Parent Teacher Meetings. If you have any concerns or would like to discuss anything please contact the school office and make an appointment with the relevant classroom teacher.

Many Thanks,

Patrick Mc Carthy

Clothing collection

Our clothing collection was a massive success, we managed to raise 500 Euro for the LauraLynn foundation. Many thanks to the Parents Council for coordinating the collection.

Board of Management

On the 11th of January the first meeting of the new board took place and the following was the agreed report for staff and parents.

- The board has ratified the Intimate Care and Toileting Plan, the plan is now available on the school website.
- The board would like to acknowledge the efforts of the Parents' Council for all their work organising the Christmas Raffle.
- The board is currently seeking prices for solar panels which should be installed over the summer months.
- The board is in the process of drawing up a four year plan, much focus will be on developing educational resources within the school.

Dates

- **6th February**
Swimming
- **15th and 16th February**
School closed for
midterm
- **20th February**
Swimming
- **27th February**
Swimming
- **28th February**
First Confession

- The decision on a new school tracksuit and uniform policy going forward will be discussed further at the March meeting of the board

Credit Union Quiz

Well done to our U11 and U13 quiz team who headed to Thurles on the 26th Of February. It was a great learning experience for both teams and they had a very enjoyable evening. Great credit most go to Mr. Kenehan who prepared the pupils so diligently for the night.



Hurling

Hurling coaching has started with Luke Watkins every Wednesday until the end of the year. Lunchtime hurling will be recommencing for senior pupils in the weeks ahead. Cumann na mBunscol is scheduled to start in March.



Future Stars

Julie Quinlan headed to Athlone to represent the school at the Future Stars Athletics competition. She won medals in the shot put and the 60 metres running race. Well done Julie .



Assembly

Our 5th/6th preformed at assembly this month and entertained us with a mix of Shane Mc Gowan, Sinéad O` Connor and finished with a lovely poem.

IT Upgrades

Offaly Council Council as part of their Climate Action Project have donated 8 computers hard drives to our school. Thank you to Ray and Dean for organising this and for working with our 5th/6th class on the VEX robotic competition. We have some spare working monitors but if anyway has a computer monitor in their workplace or home not been used, we would appreciate it to get our new computers up and running.



Reminders

- ✓ Swimming gear on Tuesday mornings for 3rd to 6th class
- ✓ A reminder that our school tracksuit is under review but at the moment it includes white polo shirts and tracksuit bottoms.

