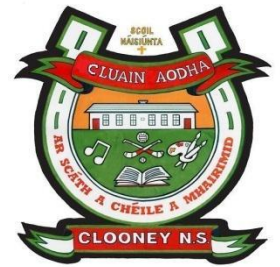


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15th of October 2021

Dear Parent(s)/ Guardian(s),

Happy Friday! I would like to bring the following items to your attention:

Green Schools – Climate Action Week

Our Green Schools committee under the leadership of Mrs. Gleeson had their first committee meeting this week. Congratulations to Lucas Harrison, Kate Quinlan, Kate Hassett, Patrick Prior, Doireann Mc Mahon, Peter Collins, Liam Mc Carthy, Áine Fitzgerald, Ella White and Oisín Considine we were recently elected to our Green Schools committee. The committee got straight to work by explaining to all classes that this week was Climate Action Week. To mark the week, Oisín and Mattie planted a horse chestnut tree in the school pitch that was grown from a conker over the last few years in the school garden. Also, to celebrate Climate Action Week all classes participated in Green Schools webinars on the topic of Climate Change. We wish our Green Schools committee the very best of luck in their efforts to obtain a Travel Green Flag for the school.

Food Dudes Week

Food Dudes Week will begin on Monday for five days. An information sheet about the programme was sent home with all pupils during the week. I would kindly ask all parent(s)/guardian(s) to encourage their child(ren) to participate in Food Dudes Week as the importance of a balanced and healthy diet is essential to one's overall health and wellbeing. Studies have shown the development of healthy eating habits from a young age has positive and lasting effects throughout life.

GAA Orders

If any family wishes to place an order for GAA equipment under the Cumann na mBunscol an Chláir sale please note that all orders must be received by Monday the 18th of October as Cumann na mBunscol will not accept late orders. Please complete the order form that was sent home and include it with payment in a sealed envelope. Thank you.

Reminder - Maths Eyes Competition

To celebrate Maths Week 2021 (16th - 24th of Oct), all classes will be participating in a Maths Eyes Competition. This competition was explained to pupils by their class teacher. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) are kindly asked to email their child(ren)s entries to mathsweekclooney@gmail.com by Wednesday the 20th of October. Winners will be announced on Friday the 22nd of October. Please insert your child(s) name, class and accompanying question/caption in the subject bar. Thank you.

If you have any questions in relation to this competition, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Trick or Treat for Temple Street

All pupils may dress up in costume on Friday 22nd of October, in exchange for a small donation (1 or 2 euro per pupil) to Temple Street Children's Hospital. We hope that all pupils will participate in this fundraising initiative for such a worthy and important cause.

Team Hope – Christmas Shoebox Appeal

This year, pupils are invited to make up a Christmas shoebox for children less fortunate than themselves (Leaflets will be sent home on Monday). All shoeboxes can be left to the school before Friday the 5th of November.

Reminder - Education Welfare Act

Schools are obliged by law under The Education (Welfare) Act 2000 to submit reports on school attendance to the Educational Welfare Services of The Child and Family Agency (TULSA). As a result, the school is obliged by the above legislation to inform TULSA when a child has been absent for 20 days in a school year. **If your child is absent from school, it is necessary for you to provide the following information in writing either in their diary or by email, to the class teacher, the date(s) in which your child was absent and the reason for his/her absence.** If your child has missed 15 days, the school will notify you to remind you of our legal requirement.

All children returning to school after an absence must have a completed **Return to Educational Facility Parental Declaration Form**. you have any questions in relation to this, please do not hesitate to contact me and I will be more than happy to discuss it with you.

Halloween Holidays

The school will close on Friday the 22nd of October at 3.00pm and re-open on Monday the 1st of November. Wishing you all a safe and enjoyable break.



If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me by email (clooneyns@gmail.com) or by phone (065 6835806) and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

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Marie Minogue