

# Clooney National School



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8<sup>th</sup> of December 2023



Dear Parents/Guardians,

## Cross Country



Huge congratulations to Davin Brohan, Kate Quinlan, Cillian Considine, Dara Brohan and Sophie Harrison who represented the school at the County Cross Country Running Finals on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November in Lees Road. Well to our two medallists Davin and Kate and all our runners for representing us proudly.

## Cumann na mBunscol Football Division 5 Final



Huge well done to our girls' football team who played with such determination and grit in their division 5 final against Moveen/Carrigaholt/Kilbaha. Unfortunately, our girls came up against a very strong team and it wasn't to be their day. We are so proud of every member of the panel and their wonderful sense of teamwork and comradery. They gave it everything! It is a huge achievement for our small school to compete at Cumann na mBunscol finals level and we thank Ms. Lynch and Pauline again for their wonderful guidance and leadership of our school teams.

## Grease The Musical



Pupils from 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> class will travel by bus to St. Joseph's Secondary School, Tulla on **Tues, 12<sup>th</sup> of December** at 10.30 am to watch a performance of Grease by the secondary school students at 11am. We are all looking forward to the show! A payment request was sent via Aladdin earlier in the week for €10. (€5 for tickets and €5 contribution towards the cost of transport)

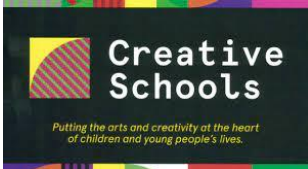
Well done to Lillian Harrison in junior infants who won the junior/senior infants' category in a colouring competition to win a family pass to the show. Best of luck to all past pupils performing in the shows.

## The Planet



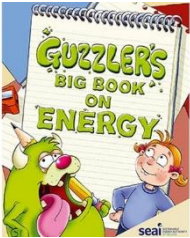
Pupils from junior infants to 3<sup>rd</sup> class will travel by bus to The Planet, in Ennis on **Thurs, 14<sup>th</sup> of December** at 11.30 am. The boys and girls will get to enjoy a game of bowling and time in the soft play area. A payment request was sent via Aladdin earlier this week for €5 to cover the cost of transport. Entry is free, thanks to Lillian Harrison who won the trip for the boys and girls from her entry in the Halloween Colouring Competition. Well done, Lillian!

## Creative Schools



On **Mon, 18<sup>th</sup> of December** we will welcome local artist Ana Colomer to the school to begin our Creative Schools journey. Each class will engage with Ana in workshops to explore the concept of creativity and identify possible activities we can engage with over the next two years under this programme.

## SEAI Energy Workshops



On **Tues, 19<sup>th</sup> of December** all classes will engage in a workshop exploring energy usage and identifying ways in which we can reduce our energy consumption both in school and in our community. Pupils will also explore sources of energy and the importance of incorporating more renewable energy sources in our everyday lives.

## Public Health Visit



The Public Health Team will visit the school on **Tues, 19<sup>th</sup> of December** for hearing and sight checks with the junior infants. Many thanks to parents for completing and returning the permission slips that were sent home a few weeks ago. These forms were submitted to the Public Health Team who will visit on the 19<sup>th</sup> of December.

## Christmas Jumper Day



The PA are holding a Christmas Jumper Day for Clare Crusaders on **Weds, the 20<sup>th</sup> of December**. All the boys and girls are asked to wear their Christmas jumpers to school and donate to Clare Crusaders. A payment notice for donations will be issued via Aladdin next week. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

## Christmas Holidays



We will close for the Christmas break on **Fri, 22<sup>nd</sup> of December at 12 noon**. The school will re-open on Mon, 8<sup>th</sup> of January 2024 for term 2 of the school year. Wishing you all a restful and peaceful Christmas.

## Coats



I would encourage all the boys and girls to wear their coats and hats to school as we want to ensure that when they are out on the yard at break time, they are warm as they can be.

## Parents Association Clothing Collection



The PA have organised a clothing collection to raise funds for the school. We can accept bags of the following CLEAN items:

- Curtains & towels
- Bedlinen (duvet covers, sheets, pillowcases, blankets, throws)
- Male, female & children's clothing
- Paired footwear
- Handbags & belts
- Soft toys (teddies)

WE CANNOT ACCEPT PILLOWS, DUVETS OR CARPETS.

Bags for the collection may be dropped into the halla during school hours from **Mon, 8<sup>th</sup> of January to Mon, 29<sup>th</sup> of January**. The bags will be collected from the halla on **Tues, 30<sup>th</sup> of January 2024**. Your support is greatly appreciated. Please spread the word with family and friends.

## Parent Teacher Meetings



Parent Teacher Meetings will take in your child(ren)'s classrooms on **16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> of January** between 3.00 pm and 4.30 pm. There are ten minutes allocated to each meeting. Times of the meetings will be emailed to families when we return after the Christmas break.

## Dates for your diary:

- **Grease, The Musical:** Tues, 12<sup>th</sup> of December 2023, 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> class, St. Joseph's Secondary School, Tulla @ 11am.
- **Trip to the Planet:** Thurs, 14<sup>th</sup> of December 2023, Junior Infants – 3<sup>rd</sup> class.
- **Final Swimming Session:** Fri, 15<sup>th</sup> of December 2023.
- **Creative Schools Workshop 1:** Mon, 18<sup>th</sup> of December 2023, all classes.
- **Public Health Visit – Sight & Hearing Checks:** Tues, 19<sup>th</sup> of December 2023, Junior Infants.
- **SEAI Energy Workshop:** Tues, 19<sup>th</sup> of December 2023, all classes.
- **Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Clare Crusaders:** Weds, 20<sup>th</sup> of December.
- **Christmas Holidays:** Fri, 22<sup>nd</sup> of December at 12 noon.
  
- **Term 2:** School re-opens for term 2 on Mon, 8<sup>th</sup> of January 2024 at 9am.
- **Parent Teacher Meetings:** Tues, 16<sup>th</sup> and Weds, 17<sup>th</sup> of January 2024. Times to be advised.
- **PA Clothing Collection:** Tues, 30<sup>th</sup> of January 2023.
- **Public Holiday:** School closed on Mon, 5<sup>th</sup> of February 2024.
- **County Photos:** School photographs to be taken on Fri, 9<sup>th</sup> of February 2024.
- **Mid Term Break:** Thurs, 15<sup>th</sup> and Fri 16<sup>th</sup> of March 2024.

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

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