# **SCOIL BHRÍDE**

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you in good form as we approach summer holidays. On behalf of all the staff I would like to thank you for your co-operation and support throughout the year.

# **KELLY-LOU CAKES**

We were delighted to welcome Kelly – Lou and Rebecca to our school on 29<sup>th</sup> May. Kelly spoke to the children about setting up her own business, the journey to making her business into the successful one it is today, what motivates her and the hard work and determination needed for running your own business. The girls then asked her some questions. Thanks to Kelly for all her tips on how to become a successful entrepreneur, thanks also for the delicious cup cakes!

#### SCHOOL EVENTS

We have a busy few days ahead.

Wednesday 19th June: Graduation Mass at 10 a.m. in Parish Church.

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June**: School Sports Day, including Megabounce Obstacle Course, thanks to our Parents' Council. Our ever popular ice-cream van will also visit, 2 euro per ice-cream. Thanks to Ms. Brereton for organising the day.

Monday 24th June: School Tours.

# SCHOOL SPORTS.

- Congratulations to our school camogie team who reached the finals in O'Moore Park last week. They played a very exciting match against Raheen. Thanks to Mrs. Sheppard and Mrs. Collier for coaching the girls.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Classes have completed their swimming course in Portlaoise Leisure Centre.
- Thanks to Kieran for coaching the girls in tennis this year.

- We have availed of the facilities in the old Brigidine Convent this school year, training with Ruth and John. We hope to continue the use of these facilities during the coming year.
- Active Flag we are well on the way to achieving our Active Flag for the school. The girls are enjoying the "Mile a Day" challenge and focusing on "Active Homework" at home

# **BOOK RENTAL**

On your daughter's booklist you will notice some books on the list can be rented from the school. We encourage you to avail of the Book Rental Scheme in an effort to reduce costs.

#### **NEW INFANTS**

We welcomed our new Junior Infants and parents to our school on 10<sup>th</sup> June. They came in for a short while to meet one another and their teacher. Thanks to Sinéad from Triple P. Parenting for her talk.

#### PARENTS' COUNCIL

I wish to express my thanks to our Parents' Council for their help this school year. They have subsidised school tours, paid for buses for swimming and some school matches, Megabounce, bought Christmas and Easter treats, training tops for 6<sup>th</sup> class etc. If any parent wishes to help out next year you can contact any member of the committee or myself here in school. Your support and help would be much appreciated.

# **MOUNTRATH LIBRARY**

Triona from Mountrath Library will be visiting our school before the holidays to talk to the children about all the activities and workshops that are available for them in the local library and in the libraries in Laois. Please encourage your child to visit the library and maybe get involved in the summer reading challenge.

#### SCHOOL WEBSITE

Special thanks to Ms. G. Brereton for keeping our school website updated. Check it out for latest events and photos.

# THANK YOU

- Thank you to our BOM who have supported us tremendously this year.
- Thank you to Mr. Piotr Glanert (school caretaker) and Mrs. Mary Hosey (school secretary) for their hard work during the year. I know you join me in complementing our beautiful school grounds.
- Thank you to Viola (School cleaner) for keeping the school looking so well.
- Thank you to Marion (SNA) for your dedication to the children

- Thank you Parents' Council and parents for supporting us as we work together in educating your daughter.
- Thanks to Ms. G. Reidy (HSCL) for all her work in maintaining communication links between the home and school.
- I know you join me in thanking the teaching staff of our school.

# The school will close for summer holidays on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 12 noon. It will re-open on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2019 at 9.20 a.m.

On behalf of myself and the staff may I wish you all a happy and safe summer.

We look forward to seeing you all on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2019.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Rohan

Principal