



## Home School Community Liaison:

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! Welcome back to a new year with lots of different courses and activities taking place in our schools. Here are a few dates for your calendar. Please feel free to take part in as many courses as you wish as it is a great way to get to know new people and to learn new skills. All these courses are free!

**Mountmellick lace** will start back on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> of Jan at 9.30am in Saint Fintan's Boys school, for the people who have already signed up we will finish our pieces that we have started but new comers are always welcome to start with us.

**Maths classes for parents** will start back this Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup> of Jan in Saint Fintan's Boys school from 9.30 to 10.30, we will do three weeks where we will look at fractions and long division. If this is an area that your child finds hard, this is an informal way to help them with their homework and to get tips and websites that will help you at home.

**First Aid course;** this will be a two-hour course on a Thursday for six weeks from 9.30-11.30 in Scoil Bhríde Girls school. This will answer any questions you have about falls, bumps, chokes, sprains, breaks and bruises. Register your interest and an introduction will take place on Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup> of Jan at 9.30. You will receive a certificate at the end of the course.

**Story sacks,** we will pick two stories and we will make games, puppets and props to go with the story and the boys and girls in the infant classrooms will get to play and interact with the stories that you have made. We will start this course on Wednesday the 30<sup>th</sup> of Jan.

**Louise Shanagher;** Louise Shanagher is a children's therapist, mindfulness teacher and psychology lecturer. She will be visiting the Boy's school on Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup> of Feb to do a workshop with parents from both school on anxious children, this is a great opportunity to get advice and practical guidance on how to deal with anxiety in your child.

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**I would like to sign up for:**

Mountmellick lace: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Maths class: \_\_\_\_\_

Story sacks: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number: \_\_\_\_\_

First Aid: \_\_\_\_\_

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