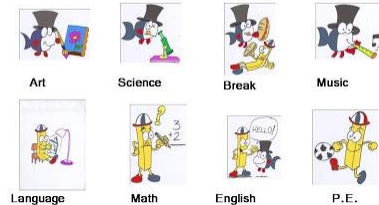




## SUBJECTS



### SPHE – Social Personal Health Education.

As Parents we are all very familiar with subjects like Maths, English, Irish, History and Geography etc. Sometimes subjects like SPHE are very often not understood as we may not see and hear our children refer very often to SPHE or we may not need to sit down in the evenings and help them with SPHE homework.

#### What is SPHE?

SPHE comprises of three elements,

1. The Walk Tall Programme
2. The Relationships and Sexuality Education Programme (RSE)
3. The Stay Safe Programme.

Please see the comprehensive document attached to outline the aims of each element.

It is recognised that the implementation of SPHE also takes place through integration with other subject areas and through a positive, whole school climate and atmosphere.

#### Reminder

School closes tomorrow Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 1pm to facilitate a staff meeting. There will be no band practice.

Midterm -closed all next week until Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb



#### 3/4<sup>th</sup> class field trip.



This Friday Ms Hanniffy's and Ms Mc Keon's classes will take a trip to The Atlantaquaria in Salthill as part of their Explorers Programme. It is a 2 hour trip and they get to do a tour of the Aquarium where they can learn about marine life.

**SSE Update – School Self Evaluation update.**

Over the next week or two you will be receiving an email asking you to complete a very short survey regarding your son's learning. We are using a system called Google Forms to collect and collate this feedback. It is a very simple online survey which will very much streamline and support our data research in looking at parental opinions on the implementation of our spelling programme. Thanking you in advance for completing this survey.

**2<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class**

First Confession – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March  
at 11.30am

Confirmation – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March  
at 3pm

First Holy Communion – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>  
May at 11am



**French class resumes again** on Monday 25<sup>th</sup>  
February. €48 for 6 weeks, from 2.30 – 3.30pm.  
10% discount for siblings.

Please contact Johanne on 0872129610 if  
interested. Spaces available

Bricks 4 Kidz Lego Camp is coming to Oranmore Community Centre next week for the mid-term break. Bricks 4 Kidz LEGO® Themed Mid-Term Camps have been designed to teach the principles of Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths (STEM) to girls and boys, suitable age 5-12 in a fun and entertaining way.

**See attached flyer for more details**

Best of luck to the debating team in the semi-final which  
takes place at 10am on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February in Galway  
Education Centre