



Date 27/11/2018

### Parents Association News

**Cash for Clobber** - Can parents please put any old clothes in to the school clothes bin at the left side of the school. **The school benefits in terms of cash reward for clothes donated.**

**Birthday policy** – reminder that the parents association suggest parents consider giving gifts of a card with five euros in it to children for their birthdays.

**Membership PA** – A big welcome to Eilis Flaherty who has joined the PA Committee. Yvonne O’ Shea is the chair and Mary McGrath/ Eilis Flaherty are vice-chairs. Breda Martyn is secretary and Eilish McGuire is treasurer. We are always open to other parents joining the association in any capacity or assisting out at the various events we organise during the year. Thank you for your continued support.

**National Parents Council Survey (NPC) on Seasonal Clock Changes** – The NPC has been asked by the department of justice and equality to make a submission on behalf of parents about the EU Commissions’ proposal to end seasonal clock changes in 2021. The NPC would really like to hear from as many parents as possible to ensure their position and submission is informed and representative of parents views around Ireland. Please take a minute of your time to fill in their survey at the following link and share the link with other parents.

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Seasonal\\_Clock\\_Changes](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Seasonal_Clock_Changes)

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**Birthday Parties** Whilst we appreciate the sentiment in sending in treats to share when it is your son’s birthday unfortunately we have to stop this practice. It does not comply with our Healthy lunch policy. No more treats to be sent into school. Thank you.

### Reminder - 2<sup>nd</sup> class – First Communion preparation

Do this in Memory Mass this Saturday December 1st. Boys to be at church for 5.20pm. Mass at 6pm

### Olympic Handball

Our Olympic Handball team will compete in their first match on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December, Knocknacarra 10am, Best of luck to the boys and their coach Ms Mc Laughlin.

### Dates to note for Christmas Plays and Choir performances.

It’s that time of year again when we look forward to welcoming you to visit the school, church or Galway clinic, to enjoy watching your son/s participate in our Christmas performances. Our staff and boys will be putting in a lot of work in order over coming weeks in order to prepare for our Christmas recitals and plays. We hope they enjoy and learn from the process.

#### DATES TO NOTE FOR DECEMBER 2018

7 <sup>th</sup> December	Galway Clinic 4 <sup>th</sup> to 6 <sup>th</sup> class – time to be confirmed
12 <sup>th</sup> December	2 <sup>nd</sup> class ‘Hosanna Rocks’ at 7pm in Halla of Scoil Iósaif Naofa
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Awaiting Christmas concert in Church at 7.30pm (provisional, time to be confirmed) 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> class boys
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Parents Association Cake Sale and Santa visit
17 <sup>th</sup> December	1 <sup>st</sup> class Christmas show at 7pm in Halla of Scoil Iósaif Naofa
18 <sup>th</sup> December	3 <sup>rd</sup> class Christmas show at 7pm in Halla of Scoil Iósaif Naofa
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Cinema trip
21 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas holidays. <b>School closes at 12pm</b>
7 <sup>th</sup> January	School reopens for term 2