



As an extension to anti Bullying week- online safety awareness day takes place on the 6<sup>th</sup> February.

To further support us in our efforts to educate our pupils around the dangers of online bullying- interactions etc we have invited Bernardo's to the school to talk to the boys. Workshops are arranged for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of February.

Online webinars are available for parents who would like to register for one.

Parents can register themselves via the below zoom links for a date & time that is suitable to them.

**Free Online Parent webinars – next available dates**

February 8<sup>th</sup> 7pm-8pm

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_ns7R8FOLRIulk7MVG4BZXg](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ns7R8FOLRIulk7MVG4BZXg)

February 28<sup>th</sup> 11am -12pm

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_z90DUotpQrOh\\_0cxb2Qthw](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_z90DUotpQrOh_0cxb2Qthw)

March 5<sup>th</sup> 7pm-8pm

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_CpgobZ1oQBeeBsQeJOZenA](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_CpgobZ1oQBeeBsQeJOZenA)

March 20<sup>th</sup> 10am -11am

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_H9bj7MIKR9exdKQhbQowVA](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_H9bj7MIKR9exdKQhbQowVA)

Galway Corinthians rugby flyer attached

Grandparents Day 11 am – 1pm



We look forward to welcoming Grandparents to the school tomorrow. Unfortunately, the weather is not very inviting but hopefully tomorrow will be a little calmer!

We will welcome grandparents from 11 am - Tea, Coffee and light refreshments will be available in the hall from 11 am. This is a nice opportunity for grandparents to meet one another and talk about their own school days amongst themselves!!

Following a cup of tea Grandparents will be invited to visit their grandson's classrooms, where all of the children will enjoy and benefit from your visit.



This year, the staff and children at Scoil Íosaif Naofa are taking part in the Amber Flag initiative. The Amber Flag initiative is run by Pieta House and it aims to create healthy and inclusive environments that support positive mental health and wellbeing.

We are celebrating 'Wellbeing Week' from Monday the 29th of January to the 2nd of February. As part of this, we are hosting a fundraiser for Pieta House on Friday the 2nd of February. The fundraiser we have chosen is 'Inside Out Day', which involves the children wearing one item of clothing (socks, jumper, jacket etc) inside out as a way of making us all think about how someone may look OK on the outside but inside they may be feeling sad, worried, etc. To clarify, they must wear the most part of their uniform, but can wear a jersey as their top and turn it inside out or a different trousers and wear it inside out etc... It's not a full 'no uniform day!' one item of uniform can be substituted.

We are asking for €2 donation from each child to support Pieta House.

Thank you very much for your support.

## Catholic Schools Week 2024 – Communities of Service

Please see letter attached from our Bishop and Patron Bishop Michael Duignan.

A big THANK YOU to parents, Paula Whyte (owner of Delight cafes) and Seán Kinsella (CTO of Mirai Medical), who came into 5th class last Thursday to partake in our Dragons Den style presentation. They shared their entrepreneurial skills with the JEP teams and gave valuable feedback to the pupils.

Well done to Magnetic Memories who was chosen to be the project that will be brought forward and made into a reality! Well done to Ms Tierney and her class.



## **Feis na nÓg 2024**

10th March 2024

**Venue: Calasactius College, Oranmore**

Feis na nÓg, which had been running for 49 years in the Oranmore-Maree Parish up until 2020, is back! This event takes place in March during Seachtain na Gaeilge with the aim of promoting the use of, and love for, the Irish language and culture in our community. It is run for the children of the 4 parish primary schools and is an opportunity for all children to get up on a stage and shine - something many missed out on over the Covid years. It has always been an important and fun day for children, parents and grandparents some of whom may have participated in the event themselves as children! We look forward to getting it up and running again this year.

Please see letter attached for further information.

Application forms will be sent home with your son this week.