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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope you are all well and that your children have enjoyed Active School Week. We are delighted to share lots of great news with you in this newsletter.

**Art Exhibition:**

Thank you to everyone who visited our Art Exhibition on Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th June. We have exceptionally talented and creative students in our school.

**Competition Winners:**

Congratulations are extended to our fourth-class children who came in joint 2nd position in the 'Different Families Same Love' competition. We are thrilled for Ms. O'Brien and her class as they worked so hard on their entries. Well done 4th class.

**Uniform Sale:**

SIPA will hold a uniform sale on Thursday 23rd June from 1pm - 3pm.

**Active Flag Award:**

We are delighted to announce that we have been awarded our second Active School Flag. The assessor was very complimentary of all our efforts and commended us. Well done to all involved; our fantastic pupil committee, our teachers committee, Ms. Kelly, Ms. Keane, Ms. Duignan, Ms. Sweeney, Ms. Warde and Ms. Greene. We have had an amazing year of sport.

**Parent Coaches:**

*Volleyball*

We are very grateful to Leanne Riccardelli and Lina Dzurnak who volunteered their time to coach volleyball to all the children on Wednesday.

## *Yoga*

Thanks also to Natasha Keogh who facilitated yoga sessions for our younger children. The sessions were very enjoyable and relaxing.

## **New Football Kit:**

Our school football team have received a new kit. We are grateful to Boland Motors for sponsoring our new jerseys. A huge thank you must be extended to Ms. Warde and Ms. Murphy who designed our new kit.

## **GAA Memorial Match:**

Our Gaelic football team played a memorial match against Scoil Áine in memory of Dr. Harrison Omorodion on Tuesday 14th June. We were delighted to remember Harrison Omorodion in this way. Thanks to everyone who made it such a special and memorable occasion.

## **School Tours:**

Our 2nd, 3rd and 6th classes were on tour this week. They visited Dublin Zoo and Kilruddery House. A great time was had by all. Our Senior Infants are on tour next Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June. We wish them a great day out at Newbridge Farm.

## **Book Rental Books:**

All rental books are to be returned immediately. Thank you.

## **Graduations and End of Year:**

1st class graduation is on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June.

6th class graduation is on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 1pm in the school hall. Parents are welcome.

Our end of year mass will take place on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 11am in the church of the immaculate conception. All welcome.

## **Staff Leaving:**

We are sad to be saying goodbye to two permanent members of Scoil Íde staff. Ms. Aoife Merrins Gallagher and Ms. Laura McGrath. Ms. Gallagher recently achieved a Doctorate, exploring bilingual linguistics programmes for junior children. We are extremely proud of her and all she has achieved. We wish her the very best of luck with her career and we look forward to working with her on other projects in the near future.

Ms. Laura McGrath has been a member of staff here in Scoil Íde for 16 years. She has been an invaluable member of staff during that time; she has been an excellent colleague, teacher, and friend to us all. She must be commended for her immense contribution to the teaching of children with additional needs in our school. She has been involved in so many great projects and initiatives and she will be sorely missed. She recently completed a Masters in Autism Studies and we wish her the very best of luck with her new ventures. As the saying goes, 'In the end, we only regret the chances we didn't take'.

Go n-éirí and bóthar libh.

**Summer Holidays:**

The school will close on Friday 24th of June at 11:50 am for Infant Classes and 12midday for classes 1st - 6th. The school will reopen on Wednesday 31st August 2022 for all pupils.

Thank you for all your continued support and cooperation.

*Catherine Keane & the Scoil Íde Team .*