

## May Newsletter 2023

### **Fundraising Tea Party**

Save the date Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 4-6pm for our Tea Party. Tickets will be available any day now!

### **First Confessions and First Holy Communion**

Congratulations to our second class pupils who made their First Confessions on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May at 7:30pm in Toghergar Church. They will celebrate their First Holy Communion on the 27<sup>th</sup> of May at 11:30am in Toghergar church. A big thank you to Fr Douglas and Fr Louis for supporting our pupils.

As usual we ask as many pupils as possible to join us in the choir for the Communion mass.

### **Girl's Cumann na mBunscol- football**

The girl's team took part in the Cumann na mBunscol 11 a side girls blitz in Carnaun on the 9<sup>th</sup> of May. They won out their group and are heading to Lough George on the 31<sup>st</sup> of May. Well done!

### **Boy's Cumann na mBunscol- football**

The boy's team took part in the Cumann na mBunscol football competition in Glenamaddy on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May. They won out their group and are heading to Lough George on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June. Well done!

### **Boy's Cumann na mBunscol- hurling**

The boy's team took part in the Cumann na mBunscol hurling competition in Kilnadeema on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May. They also won out their group and are heading to the final in Lough George on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June. Well done!

### **Supporting our Cumann na mBunscol teams**

We welcome support for our teams on the day. However, just a gentle reminder that all spectators are there to encourage and support our players. Please do not shout anything but supportive comments at any pupil or team. Also, we kindly ask that you respect all officials and decisions they make on the day. It is a huge achievement for Ballaghlea pupils to reach 3 finals and we are extremely proud of them. As always, we thank you for your support.

### **Art Blast Workshop**

Robbie Perry returned to the school on the 12<sup>th</sup> of May to finish the Blast Arts Project in association with Athlone Education Centre with Ms O' Grady's and Mrs Sutton's class. We are delighted with the finished result of collaborative story writing with illustrations, narrative and sound effects.

### **Football training**

Football training has finished for this year. Thank you to coach Jack Hynes for his coaching.

### **Hurling training**

Hurling training with Cian Ryan began on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May and will continue for 6 weeks.

### **Testing**

Testing will take place between the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May and the 2<sup>nd</sup> of June. If your child is going to be absent during this time, please inform the school, as we will have to make alternative arrangements.

### **Tours**

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Tour to Let's Go Athlone

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Class Tour to Bay Sports

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June Junior & Senior Infants tour to Turoe Pet Farm

### **Other dates for your diary.**

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> -Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June Active School's Week

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> -Friday 16<sup>th</sup> -Sports Day Weather permitting (TBC)

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 6<sup>th</sup> Class Graduation 8.00