

Scoil Náisiúnta Cill Shléibhe

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End of Term Timetable

As we head towards the end of term and the completion of our second unusual academic year, we hope to continue safe and happy. It is fantastic to now see the gradual return of all that we love and have missed. However, we are being strongly advised to continue following all DES and HSE guidelines being issued to schools. We are so happy that we have kept illness out of our school thus far. Please continue to help us to keep our school and families protected so we can all enjoy a Summer break.

- Children may wear school tracksuits for the final 2 weeks of school if they so wish. This
 will allow us the opportunity to do extra outdoor lessons and activities, knowing that
 the children will be more comfortable.
- Written homework will not be given for the last 2 weeks of term. There will be a reading log and active challenges issued in lieu.

WEEK 1

Monday June 14th - FMS for all with Barry.

Thursday June 17th - Senior room soccer match v Clonmore NS. { parents will need to drop and collect but will not be able to stay and watch}

Friday June 18th -School Sports Day and GAA coaching with Kevin.

WEEK 2

Monday June 21^{st} -6th class Graduation{this will be a short informal event for just Aoibhinn, Dan and their families}.

Wednesday June 23rd – Senior room soccer match v Barnane NS.{ parents will need to drop and collect but will not be able to stay and watch}

Thursday 24th June - Senior Room Hurling Championship Final and Staycation Day Treat for all.

Friday June 25th – Last day of Term. School closes at 12 today.

Ms. McGrath Leave

We wish Kate every best wish as she will work remotely for the remainder of the school year before beginning her maternity leave in September. Kate's dedication to Killea NS and the children of the Junior room must be highly commended as Kate has worked tirelessly over the past months. We wish Kate the very best for the coming months and we look forward to Kate welcoming her new baby in the Autumn.

Maternity Leave Post Update

We recently interviewed 5 candidates for the position of Mainstream class teacher for September, to cover Kate's maternity leave. The successful candidate has accepted the position and we look forward to welcoming her to our wonderful school.

Sacraments Update

Holy Communion will take place on Friday July 9th at 11am. The current guidelines allow for 50 people in the church so we will be guided by Fr. Hayes in relation to this. We appreciate Fr. Hayes giving so freely of his time and accommodating our requests.

Confirmation will take place on Friday July 9^{th} at 1pm. The current guidelines allow for 50 people in the church so we will be guided by Fr. Hayes in relation to this. Currently his advice is that we can include Confirmation children, parents, siblings and 1 sponsor. We are very thankful to Fr. Hayes for facilitating us and the other 3 schools of the parish. We are particularly happy that our 2 6^{th} class children will have a proper sense of closure to their primary school days by having their Confirmation ceremony take place before they begin their secondary school adventure.

Both ceremonies will be paired back, in line with current restrictions and the fact that we will not be in school to practise. We will take our guidance from Fr. Hayes in relation to what we are allowed to do in the church on the day

Classroom Updates

The Junior Room and Senior room will have a different allocation of class levels this September. As a result, we will call the rooms Ms. McGrath's Room and Ms. Kennedy's Room. September 2021 will see Ms. McGrath's room include the 3^{rd} class children. The children of 4^{th} - 6^{th} will be in Ms. Kennedy's room.

Reports/Booklists/Calendar

Wednesday September 1st will be our return date for the 2021/2022 school year. We will issue the full year's calendar, in the coming week, with the reports and booklists.

Violin Lessons

Please ensure all school violins are returned to the school this week. The final violin lesson of the term will take place on Thursday and we will store the violins in school until lessons recommence next year. Thank you to Ms. McGrath for taking on this excellent venture and sharing her talents with the children.

Go Raibh Míle Maith Agaibh

Thank you to all families who have helped out in various ways this year. We have appreciated the positive emails, helpful phone-calls and chats, sports equipment donations, booklet distributions, school promotion and coaching, A special thank you to all Board of Management members for their time and energy this year. Thank you for adapting to the new way of meeting via Zoom and for your time and support with our recent interviews. A special thank you also to our wonderful P.A. We appreciate your quiet, respectful and kind approach to all your dealings. Killea NS is a lucky school.

Kíndest regards,

Mary and Kate

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