

St. Conaire's Bulletin

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The new school term is well under way now. We wish all pupils, parents and teachers the very best for 2014. It is hoped that the year will be happy and fruitful for all involved with the school.

Parents' Association QUIZ: St. Conaire's Parents' Association will be holding a table quiz on Friday, February 6th in the Oakwood Arms Hotel. Further details will be made available shortly. Your support would be much appreciated. Thank you in advance.

Important dates to note this term

February Mid-term closure..... Closed February 20 and 21
St. Patrick's Holiday..... Closed March 17 – 18 inclusive
Easter Holidays..... Closed March 30 – April 10 inclusive

Parent/Teacher Meetings 2015: Parent/Teacher meetings will take place during the week beginning February 2nd. Your child's teacher will send out appointment times next week.

Sacrament of Reconciliation for pupils in 2nd class: The pupils in 2nd class will make their first confessions on **Monday, February 25th** at 7:45 p.m. in Ss. John & Paul Church.

Junior Infant Enrolments: We are now taking applications for Junior Infant enrolment for the 2015/2016 school year. All forms for Junior Infant Enrolments for September 2015 should be returned to the school office before January 30th, 2015.

Catholic Schools Week 2015: Catholic Schools Week commences this Sunday, January 26th and runs until February 2nd. This is a week in which we celebrate the role of Catholic schools in our community.

Catholic School Week Details

6th Class Confirmation Mass	Sunday, January 25th in Ss. John & Paul Church
Junior Infant Pilgrimage	Monday, January 26th – trip to Adoration Chapel
5th Class Pilgrimage	Wednesday, January 28th – trip to Kilconry and Carrygerry Church
Grandparents Day	Friday, January 30th – Senior Infant Grandparents in school

Junior Infant Immunisations: The HSE public health team will be visiting the school on Monday, February 2nd and Tuesday, February 3rd for 4-in-1 boosters and repeat MMR injections for Junior Infants. Parents will be notified of allocated appointment times by the HSE.

HSE Hearing and Vision Screening: This process is currently under way and will continue next Thursday, January 29th, 2015 for the remaining Junior Infants. 6th class pupils and new entrants to the school will be screened on February 10th.

Warm coats etc.: Please make sure your child comes to school with a warm coat during this cold weather. All jackets etc. should be labelled with your child's name.

Classroom refurbishment: The Board of Management is currently undertaking a refurbishment programme in a number of classrooms. The aim is to bring our classrooms up to a modern standard. All toilets have now been completed and we are in the process of finishing the 3rd to 6th classrooms. We thank pupils, teachers and parents for their understanding and patience while this work is being done.

Rainbows: Rainbows is a support programme offered to children who have suffered loss in their lives through death, separation, divorce or other family changes. It will run for 6 weeks starting in February. The children meet weekly for 35 to 40 minutes with a caring adult where they can confidentially share their feelings through discussions, games and other activities. If you feel your child would benefit from this service please contact Ms. Morris in Room 4 for an application form.

Book Fair 2015: The School Book Fair will start on Wednesday, February 4 and will run for a few days. It is a wonderful opportunity to find some new books for your child.

School Photographs: Photographer Eamon Andrews will distribute consent forms next week. Please return consents to the school but there is no need for money until you see the samples.

Indoor Hurling and Camogie: Training is well under way for the first matches which take place next week. The hurling team is in action on Tuesday in Cratloe and the camogie team is playing in the Leisure Centre on the same day.

School Website: All information and news is also published on the school website at www.conaires.ie.

Contact Details: We use the Textaparent service to communicate messages to parents. However, during the recent storm closure it came to our notice that some messages were not received because we had old mobile numbers. Please ensure we have your most recent number if you have lost or changed your phone.

Yours sincerely,
Peter Walsh
Principal