

St. Conaire's Bulletin
October 26th, 2016
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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Halloween Dress-Up/No Uniform Day: Friday, October 28th, is the last day of this half-term. It is a tradition in St. Conaire's that we hold a no-uniform day to support a worthy charity. In the past we have supported the Irish Red Cross, the Irish Cancer Society, the Irish Wheelchair Association, Goradiche Orphanage and Shannon Senior Citizens. This year we are supporting a school in Uganda which is in dire need of educational materials. Former pupil Alanna Fox is working with this school and all funds raised go to buy books, copies and other resources. This is a fun event with a serious goal and a donation of €2 if desired would be greatly appreciated. We look forward to having a great day in the school with your support.

Reminder: St. Conaire's will be closed for all pupils on **Wednesday, November 16th** to facilitate training on the new Primary Language Curriculum.

Parent/teacher meetings: Parent/Teacher Meetings for pupils in the junior side of the school will take place in November, starting the week of November 21st. Meetings for pupils in the senior classes will take place in January 2017.

Homework – a reminder: We ask parents to ensure that all homework, both written and learning, is completed in full on a daily basis.

Website: See www.conaires.ie for recent photos including Maths Week 2016, the Infant Autumn Field Trip and recent art work. All information regarding the school is available there.

Cake Sale on November 18th: The Parents' Association will hold their first cake sale on Friday, November 18th. We will be sending out more information closer to the time. All help will be greatly appreciated as funds raised go towards purchasing educational equipment, subsidising bus trips and providing other supports to the pupils in the school.

Garda Halloween Visit: A member of An Garda Síochána visited our 5th classes recently to talk about safety over the Halloween period. They also asked parents and pupils to be mindful of safety on the way to and from school in this winter period.

Man of La Mancha: Muse Productions are staging Man of La Mancha over the mid-term for 3 nights in St. Patrick's Comprehensive School. The Box Office is open in Skycourt from 10 until 2 for bookings. Also, tickets are available by calling (087) 4543160.

Christmas Concert 2016: We are delighted to announce that The Three Tenors will be giving a concert in Ss. John & Paul Church on Sunday, December 11th at 8 p.m. Our school choir will perform at this concert also. Tickets are €25 and will be available shortly in Easons, John Quinn Butchers in Ballycasey and from the Parish Office.

Christmas Cards 2016

Thank you for your support for the Parents' Association Christmas Card Project. The cards will be distributed as soon as they are delivered to the school.

Halloween Mid-term Break: St. Conaire's will be closed from October 31st to November 4th inclusive. School re-opens on Monday, November 7th.

Yours sincerely,
Peter Walsh
Principal