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# NEWSLETTER – JUNE 2019



**St. John’s N.S., Kenmare**

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**UPCOMING SCHOOL CLOSING**

Closing for Summer Holidays: Wednesday, June 26th at 12 noon.

School re-opening: Thursday, August 29th at 9.20a.m.

Calendar for School year 2019/20 accompanying this Newsletter.

**PROVISIONAL CLASS GROUPINGS 2019/2020**

The sixteen class groupings and teacher for 2019/20 are as follows:

Class 1 Junior Infants - Mrs. Cremin

Class 2 Junior Infants - Ms. Ivers

Class 3 Senior Infants - Mrs. Brosnan

Class 4 Senior Infants - Ms. Downing

Class 5 First Class - Mrs. Kelly

Class 6 First Class - Ms. Doyle

Class 7 Second Class - Ms. Laffey

Class 8 Second Class - Ms. Cashman

Class 9 Third Class - Ms. O’Sullivan

Class 10 Third Class - Mrs. Lucey

Class 11 Fourth Class - Ms. O’Dwyer

Class 12 Fourth Class - Mr. Devane

Class 13 Fifth Class - Mr. Hussey

Class 14 Fifth Class - Ms. Spillane

Class 15 Sixth Class - To be appointed

Class 16 Sixth Class - Ms. Healy

**REPORT CARDS**

By now you will have received a Report Card giving details of your child’s progress during the school year 2018/19.

**BOOK LISTS/RENTAL SCHEME**

During the month of June your child will have received their booklist for next year. For your convenience all your child’s books can be obtained from the school. The books available will be a combination of new books and rental books. At the back of the booklist is a detachable order form. If you have not done so please return your child’s order form to their current class teacher before the summer holidays.

**ARTS / CRAFTS / PHOTOCOPYING / INSURANCE**

The school fee for Arts, Crafts, Photocopying and Insurance will be collected by the class teacher in September.

A family fee structure is in place and charges of €25 for 1 pupil, €40 for families with 2 pupils, €55 for families with 3 pupils and €65 for families with 4 or more pupils.

**UNIFORM**

By now all the uniform order forms are being processed and will be available for you to collect on distribution days Wednesday and Thursday, August 21stand 22nd from 12.00 noon – 5.00p.m. in Pobalscoil Inbhear Scéine.

Please note shirts, trousers, skirts and pinafores are now available in the main department stores at competitive prices.

Please be conscious of our Uniform Policy when purchasing school footwear during the summer period. On designated P.E. days, pupils are allowed to wear their school tracksuit and regular runners.

On all other school days, pupils are expected to wear their full school uniform with black/dark footwear. We kindly ask you to respect this policy in the interest of uniformity and an effort to minimise competitiveness in relation to coloured/ designer sports footwear. As the majority of schools operate this policy Department Stores are offering competitive prices on regular school and sports footwear.

**SUMMER CAMP**

St. John’s N.S. Summer Camp runs from Monday 15th to Friday 19th July catering for pupils from 2nd – 6th class. Activities include Sports,Arts and Crafts and Science Activities.

The cost is €60 for the week. Reductions for families.

Application forms available from the school.

**GREEN SCHOOLS, HEALTH PROMOTION, DISCOVERY PRIMARY SCIENCE AND MATHS**

St. John’s N.S. has been awarded the Discovery Primary Science and Maths Award of (STEM) Excellence 2019. Pupils in each class engaged in STEM activities and workshops throughout the year, which contributed to the improvement of skills including critical thinking, analyzing, estimating, measuring, fair testing and recording. This is a great achievement for our school.

Success too for St. John’s in becoming a Health Promoting School. A programme of healthy promotion lessons and activities undertaken by classes included hurling, football, spikeball, gymnastics, Irish dancing as well as swimming and cycling for Third class.

The school has also been awarded its 7th Green Flag where the theme was Global Citizenship and Energy. In September we will begin work on the 8th Green Schools Theme ‘Global Citizenship and Marine Environment’. The school continues to work on the core Green Schools Theme of reducing, reusing and recycling. Congratulations to all involved in each of the initiatives.

**WEBSITE / FACEBOOK PAGE**

We hope that we have been keeping you well updated with happenings in St. John’s N.S. on our new look website and Facebook page. Keep an eye especially on our recent events section which give details of events as they happen including photos.

**Best wishes** to the 46 - 6th Class girls and boys who are leaving us.

On behalf of all the Staff, I wish you all a safe, healthy and enjoyable summer.

Thank you all once again for your help and co-operation.

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Denis Courtney,

Principal & Staff.