

# BURRANE NATIONAL SCHOOL

## MAY NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

As our final term begins, the school calendar is busier than ever...have a read below to find out what is happening!!



### Enrolment.....

**Enrolment of new students for September 2023 is open.**

Please make contact with the office if you have a child or know of a child that would like to enrol and we will then send you out an Enrolment Form. 0659053144

**Accelerated Reader** - Well done to all the boys and girls who hit their targets last term. As a school we have read over an astounding **9 million words** since September. Well done Conor Mc Mahon, Caoimhe Kelly, Eóghan Meehan, Páraic Meehan and Noel Kelly for reaching their targets for the last term.



### School Celebrations.....

**Sacrament of Confirmation and Communion**

Congratulations to our Sixth class on receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> of April. Congratulations also to Conor, Eóghan, Páraic and Noel on receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time. We hope you all had a great day and may you follow in the footsteps of our Lord.



**6<sup>th</sup> class graduation** - the 6<sup>th</sup> class graduation will take place during the week of the 12<sup>th</sup> June. More details to follow.

### School Closures.....

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - Half Day - Curriculum Planning

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June - June Bank Holiday



### Creative School Initiatives....

**School Band** - Well done to our wonderful musicians who did themselves very proud playing for our Confirmation and Communion ceremonies. Best of luck to our pupils Thomas, Matthew and Caoimhe Kelly who will be participating in the County Fleadh in June.

**Oceans Explorers Project** - We are extremely busy at the moment as the deadline for our Oceans Explorers Project is fast approaching. The Junior Room is writing a recount on our sea shore safari and have created amazing projects about their day on our local shore in Knock. The Senior Room is also very busy working on projects on our local area and species that they found on our shore. All projects are been created on a shared google document that can be accessed by all pupils.

**Spelling Bee Competition** - Congratulations to Jack Brown who represented our school in the Clare County final for the Eason's Spelling Bee Competition. Well done!!

### Standardised Testing

Standardised testing will take place at the end of May. All classes from Senior Infants to 6<sup>th</sup> will complete English Reading and Maths standardised tests while classes from 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> will also complete standardised

testing in Gaeilge. Below is the planned schedule of tests and we ask parents to make every effort to ensure that their child attends on these days. Please note that standardised tests in Senior Infants and First class are screening tests **ONLY** so scores are not generated. The tests in these classes are used by the school to plan effective interventions in literacy and numeracy in these vital early years. Test results will be shared with parents on the end of year report card along with being sent to the Department of Education.

- ✚ **Wed & Thurs the 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> of May** English Reading (Snr Infs- 6<sup>th</sup> Class)
- ✚ **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> of May** Gaeilge (1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Class)
- ✚ **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June** English Spellings (1<sup>st</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> Class)
- ✚ **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June** - Maths (Snr Infs-6<sup>th</sup>Class)

### Active Corner.....

**Football** - Congratulations to Jack Browne who represented our school for the Primary Game in the Gaelic Grounds between Kerry and Clare.

**West Clare Wild Atlantic Football competition** - we are participating in Division 4 of the competition against Cranny/Coolmeen, Gaelscoil Kilrush and Doonbeg N.S. We have played two games so far in the competition and came away with a valiant victory in our second game against Cranny/Coolmeen. Our next game is away against Doonbeg N.S. on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 11am.

**Primary Skills Competition** - The primary Skills competition is coming up at the end of the month and we are currently in the process of doing trials to pick our team.

**Sports Day** - Our Annual Sports Day will take place during the last week of the school year. More details to follow.

**School League** - Our school football league will take place in June. We have 4 teams that will take each other on in small sided games during lunch break on the astro. The top two teams and the bottoms two teams will play each other in a final on our annual Sports Day. Thanks to the teachers for giving up their lunchtimes for running and organising these leagues.

**School Tour** - Our school tour will take place on Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup> June. We will travel to Kerry. More details to follow.

In June, all classes will also enjoy a local tour in our surrounding area. The date is yet to be finalised.

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Helen Kelly