BURRANE NATIONAL SCHOOL MARCH/APR NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents.

As the signs of Spring are starting to shoot, we are busier than ever with lots happening. Have a look below to see important news in our school.



Enrolment.....

Enrolment of new students for September 2025 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 an Enrolment Form. 0659053144

Morning Supervision - Morning supervision by teachers takes place from 9.10am-9:20am.

School Assembly - We will have our whole school assembly at the end of the month where we will acknowledge our "Special Mentions" to girls and boys in each class for their many achievements.

Stay Safe Programme – We are coming to the end of Stay Safe programme in all classes. The 6^{th} Class RSE talk will be given in April.

Accelerated Reader - Well done to all the boys and girls who are on target in Accelerated Reader. There is a phenomenal amount of reading taking place by some pupils at present and we couldn't be prouder of all the work that is being put in to reading by them. Please remind you child to read at home every night. We

them. Please remind you child to read at home every night. We allocate 15 minutes of "Silent Reading" time to each child in school every day and we are relying on parents to encourage this at home also.

Remember - "The More You Read the more You Learn!!" Healthy Eating - Burrane N.S recognises the importance of a healthy lifestyle and that establishing a balanced diet in childhood helps establish healthy eating habits for life. So please remember when packing lunches that pupils are allowed to bring a treat to school on Fridays only.

School Celebrations.....

Seachtain na Gaeilge – Well done to all our pupils who represented themselves so well in the annual Féile na hInse competition. Children from Juniors to Sixth classes entered the Comórtas Éalaín (Art Competition). Children from 2nd-6th classes travelled to Gaelscoil Mhíchíl Cíosóg to take part in 'Filíocht', 'Cómhrá' and 'Scéalaíocht competitions. We also entered the Banna Ceoil Competition, and were so proud of all the children achieved and of how they represented our school.

Sacraments.....

Confirmation – Congratulations to our 6^{th} class pupils who received the Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Imy's Church Killimer on the 8^{th} of March.

Creative School Initiatives....

Tin Whistle - We are very busy practicing the Tin Whistle in all classes and are looking forward to performing at our Graduation mass for our 6th class in June.

Ghaelbhratach – Our work towards the ultimate reward of the Gaelbhratach/Irish Flag is well and truly underway in school. The Coiste have been working very hard ag caint as gaeilge, in school gach maidin. The primary aim of the Gaelbhratach scheme is the need to create natural opportunities to speak Irish outside of the formal classroom setting and it's wonderful to hear our pupils speaking Gaeilge together day. We were also delighted to secure €500 in funding from Gael Linn. The Coiste used this money to buy new Irish Signs for their morning "Caint is Comhrá" sessions. Maith sibh go léir.

County Photos - Will be coming to the school to take photos on Tuesday the 29th of April, please mark the date in your diaries.

Explorers Class Project: The Explorers Education Class Project on Sharks journey will begin in May. Our 1^{st} visit will involve a fun activity where the Education Officer will introduce ocean literacy and teach us about sharks, we will then have a few weeks to complete a project on sharks and on the 2^{nd} visit we will provide a presentation of our project work to the Education officer.

Active Corner.....

Swimming - Swimming lessons in Ennis will finished in February and it was brilliant to see the progress being made by all. We are very impressed with how independent the children are when getting ready. To compliment what we have learned at the pool we have asked Ciara Gleeson the Education Development Officer of Water Safety Ireland to come to our School on Tuesday the 8th to teach our pupils vital water safety lessons.

Marian Keane Basketball Tournament -Pupils from 3rd to 6th participated in the Marian Keane Basketball tournament last month and represented the school very well. Well done to all.

Football- Football training started in January with John Enright, in preparation for the West Clare Wild Atlantic Football competition.

Farm Visit: We are looking forward to our trip to Culligan's farm on Monday 07/04/2025, organised by Kerry Dairy Ireland in conjunction with Agri Aware. Permission slips will be sent next week.

Daily Exercise: We are delighted to let you know that we will have Daly Exercise coming to deliver workshops to us on the 7^{th} May. The aim of this programme is to educate children about the importance of fitness and health.

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