**Scoil Bhríde**

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14th February 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians

**Enrolment (September 2024) Closing Date is February 14th**

For more details, please see the reverse side of this note. Thank you.

**Pantomime art colouring school competition**

Huge congratulations to Zoe from 5th class on winning a top prize in the Newbridge Pantomime Troupe program cover design school competition!!

We are so proud of you!!

**6th class Swimming payment due!**

**A six-week course of swimming classes in K-Leisure Athy for 6th class began on Wednesday 10th January. Payment of 50 Euro from each 6th class pupil is now due. *Thank you to all who have paid in full to date.***

A six-week course of swimming in K-Leisure Athy for all other senior classes will start as follows:

4th class – April 10th 2024

**Dance lessons for all pupils**

 **A 6-week course of dance classes for all pupils with a specialist instructor starts on February 20th.** Payment of 5 Euro from each pupil is now due. Thank you.

**World Book Day**

To celebrate World Book Day all pupils are being invited to dress up as their favorite book character on **Thursday March 7th**. So please start planning your costumes! The Newspaper is sending a photographer.

**February and March the months of all seasons!**

As we head into a variety of weathers, please ensure your child has appropriate outdoor clothing for each and every school day. Thank you.

**Nut Allergy**

Just a gentle reminder that we have pupils in our school with a nut allergy. For that reason, ***our entire school is a nut free zone*** (and that includes all forms of chocolate spread). Thank you for your continued vigilance in this matter.

**Dates for your diary**

* Mid-term break closure – ***School will be closed on February 15th and 16th***
* **School closed on Friday March 1st for all pupils as staff must attend a Department of Education seminar on the New Primary Maths Curriculum.**
* School Book Fair – **March 6th and 7th (pupils) March 11th 2:20pm-3pm (parents)**
* **School closed to facilitate referendum voting – Friday March 8th 2024.**
* **Easter Bun sale for pupils – Wednesday March 13th 2024**
* Dress up in Green Day – Friday March 15th 2024
* School will be closed on Monday March 18th for Saint Patrick’s Day.
* School will close for Easter on Friday March 22nd for all pupils at 12.30pm. Buses have been told. The school will re-open on Monday April 8th 2024 for all pupils at 9.20am
* The Parish office wishes to inform you that Communion for families with children in 2nd class will be May 18th 2024 @ 11:30am in Nurney Church
* The Parish office wishes to inform you that Confirmation for families with children in 6th class will be April 20th @ 11:30am in Nurney Church.

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***Wednesday Note and school information also available***

***on* www.nurneyns.com**

***Thank you for your co-operation with the above.***

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**\* *Junior Infant Enrolment Process and Timeline***

1. *“Expression of Interest in Enrolment Form”* available from school website all year long. This Form puts applicants on a mailing list only.
2. Enrolment forms posted to families on mailing list first Friday of February.
3. Enrolment Forms to be returned to the school fully filled in by 3pm the last school day before February mid-term break.
4. BOM meets the second Tuesday in March to (firstly) prioritize Enrolment Applications based on the Admissions Policy criteria (secondly) create a list of offered places and (thirdly) create a waiting list for places.
5. Letters offering a place are sent out on the second Friday of March. Letters informing applicants they are on the waiting list are sent out on the second Friday of March also.
6. Acceptance of offered place letters are to be returned to the school by 3pm the last school day of March.
7. During the month of April, the BOM meets to (firstly) discuss, create and finalize an accepted places list (secondly) to review the waiting list and decide if places are available for those on the waiting list (thirdly) issue letters to those who have been successful/unsuccessful in gaining a place from the waiting list.
8. The induction day for new junior infants and their parents is held on a date in June.
9. The school’s Annual Admissions Notice can be accessed here [www.nurneyns.com/enrolment](http://www.nurneyns.com/enrolment)