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**Principal: Mrs. Keira McCallan BA (Hons), PQH**

Monday, 26th November, 2018.

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Please read the following notes carefully:

- Please read the following note from St. Macartan's Ladies GFC:  
St. Macartan Ladies along with AWARE are hosting **GAA MindFit** - building resilience and emotional intelligence in young people on:  
**Monday, 26th November**, for **13-15 year olds**, in **Eskra Community Centre** from **7pm - 8.20pm**; and;  
**Tuesday, 27th November**, for **16-18 year olds** in **Clogher Valley Community Centre** from **7.30pm - 8.50pm**.  
Workshops are free, just turn-up on the night.

St. Macartan's, supported by the Public Health Agency, through the CLEAR project, are hosting free **Internet Safety Workshops** on **4th December** at **7.30pm** in **Clogher Valley Community Centre**. The **Parent Workshop** will cover practical skills needed to protect your child online. The **Student Workshop**, aimed at **11-16 year olds**, will inform students about the dangers they may encounter online, using group based activities. Both workshops will be delivered at the same time in different rooms. No need to pre-register, just turn up on the night.

- An additional note has been sent home today.
- I am sure you are aware that the funding from **DENI** for Coaching in Primary Schools has been stopped. This means the Coaching provided by the Ulster Council and delivered by Mr. Ryan Keenan will end this **Thursday, 29th November**. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Keenan most sincerely for his work with the children. They have thoroughly enjoyed it.
- **SkillSchool NI** will continue during school and afterschool until **Friday, 7th December**. It will resume on **Friday, 11th January, 2019**.

- **Parents of pupils in Year 6:** As you may be aware, **Year 7** are performing **Oliver** for their Christmas play this year. As we are a small class we require the assistance of the **Year 6** pupils to help with some of the scenes, performing as orphans. The **Year 6** pupils are very eager to help and have taken part in some practices already. Performing in **Oliver** will not affect your child's participation in their own play, however, they will be required to perform on **Sunday, 16th December @ 7.30pm** in **Eskra Community Centre**. Please complete the permission slip attached to indicate if your child is allowed to participate and if they will be available for our performance on **Sunday, 16th December @ 7.30pm**.
- **Jumping Clay** are coming to our school on **Monday, 17th December, 2018**. They are a local company who have visited our school in the past to deliver workshops and they have attended our Fun Night. Both pupils and staff thoroughly enjoyed the workshops and demonstrations. Jumping Clay is a jasmine scented, mess free clay that when you roll into a ball, bounces when thrown or dropped. Unlike traditional clays there is no need to bake it and once dry finished creations can be treasured forever. Pupils will take home a Christmas decoration that they make during the workshops. The cost per pupil is **£3 each** with a maximum of **£8 per family**. Please send all monies in by **Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2018**.
- **St. Ciaran's College** are holding their **Christmas Market** on **Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2018** from **6pm to 10pm**. Tickets are priced at **£5** each or you can pay at the door. There will be a prize for the best dressed elf and other spot prizes on the night. See you there.
- Please find attached an **ASPIRE** leaflet.
- Homework for all classes will end on **Thursday, 6th December**.
- Wednesday is **Fr. Connolly's** birthday. We wish him a very happy and relaxing day.
- **Parents of pupils in Year Seven:**

**Weekend homework** for Year Seven has now ended.

From **today** homework for Year Seven pupils will consist of reading, tables, spelling and Christmas play preparations.

- **Parents of Pupils in Year Seven:** Pupils in Year Seven will be travelling to Belfast to visit the **Titanic Quarter** on **Monday, 28th January, 2019**. The trip will consist of a **Brave New World Tour** and a Workshop entitled- **Get The Message**. Pupils will travel by bus, leaving school promptly at **9am** and they will return at approximately **4.30pm**. Pupils are asked to bring a packed lunch and to wear their full school uniform. Pupils will be accompanied by two members of staff. Pupils are permitted to bring some spending money for the shop, if desired (Maximum of £10). Please note that mobile phones and devices with Internet access

‘We learn to love and love to learn.’

are not permitted on school trips. Pupils will be responsible for looking after their own property. The cost of the trip is **£12** per pupil. Please complete the permission slip attached and return it to school with the money by **Monday, 3rd December**. Pupils in Year Seven will be learning about the Titanic with Mrs. Barrett so this trip will be linked to their World Around Us topic and should prove to be both educational and fun.

- Please find attached a **Dates For Your Diary** For **November/December**.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Keira McCallan  
(Principal)

### Permission Slip

I confirm that my child \_\_\_\_\_ will/will not be participating in practices for **Oliver** and performing in **Eskra Community Centre** on **Sunday, 16th December @ 7.30pm.**

Signed:

Date:

### Permission Slip

I do/do not give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to travel by bus to the **Titanic Quarter, Belfast** on Monday, 28th January, 2019.

Signed:

Date: