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

Monday, 29th January, 2018.

Dear Parent,

Please read the following notes carefully.

- Congratulations to Aoife McKenna, Aidan Hackett, Sé Devlin and Dónal Taggart in Year 7 who reached 3rd Place at the NI Road Safety Quiz on Tuesday, 23rd January. They were great ambassadors for our school through their exemplary behaviour and active participation. Well done! Check out our website for photos.
- Congratulations to our eight Year Seven pupils- Ciaran McCarroll, Sé Devlin, Eoghán McKenna and Aidan Hackett (Team A), Aoife McKenna, Rosie McCabe, Finn Kelly, Connor Meegan (Team B), who represented our school so well on Friday night at the Credit Union Quiz in Fintona. They were enthusiastic, polite and very well-behaved and Team A achieved 2nd place. Each child received a prize of £10 and our school received a cheque for £50 for entering. Well done! Check out our website for photos.
- Congratulations to Cora Scullion in Year 6 and to the boys from our Cross Country Team who have qualified for the Final of the Northern Ireland Flahavan's Primary School Cross Country League. We wish them every success at the final (further details to follow). Congratulations also to Eoghán McKenna (Year 7) who achieved 3rd place and to all members of our Cross Country Team who represented our school so well. Check out our website for photos.
- Your child's Monthly Newsletter/Learning Support Sheet for February will be issued next Monday.
- Parents of pupils in Year 7: Mrs. Carson and I have started a Baking class
 with Year 7 pupils called The Baker's Dozen. Pupils are asked to bring in an
 apron to protect their clothing. Any food made will be sent home. If you would

'We learn to love and love to learn.'

prefer for your child to not eat the food as part of a healthy diet, perhaps it could be given to an elderly relative or neighbour. Participation in these sessions will enhance each pupil's learning in **Mathematics And Numeracy** and **Language And Literacy** as they will be learning about measurement and instructional writing. They will also develop their **Thinking Skills And Personal Capabilities**, particularly **working with others**. Please refer to your child's Learning Support Sheet for February for more information.

An additional note will be sent home with **Year 7** pupils tomorrow.

Tuesday night's written Literacy homework will be replaced by Confirmation homework until Confirmation. Pupils will still be expected to complete reading, spelling practice and workbook and MA each Tuesday. Please note that learning homework for Confirmation is just as important as written homework.

A Confirmation Information Evening for parents of pupils in Year 7 has been arranged for Monday, 26th February @ 7.30pm in the school Assembly Hall.

Year **7 Boys** have been invited to participate in an **Indoor Football Heat** on **Wednesday, 31st January** at **Omagh Station Centre.** Pupils are asked to bring appropriate clothing and a packed lunch. Pupils will travel by bus and will be accompanied by a member of staff. Please complete the permission slip attached and return it to school tomorrow. Please note that pupils will not be permitted to attend without a signed permission slip. Good luck boys.

- A reminder that old £1 coins cannot be accepted into the school office.
- Please find attached a flyer from Tyrone GAA.
- Our school will be closed from Monday, 12th February to Friday, 16th
 February (inclusive) for Mid-Term Break. Pupils are asked to return to school on Monday, 19th February at the usual time.
- **PE** on a **Tuesday** for **Year 5/6** will take place next Tuesday instead of tomorrow..
- Parents of pupils in Year 6: If you haven't returned your Transition Sessions Consultation Reply Slip, could you please return it by Wednesday of this week.
- The after-school Music Class with Mrs. Nuala Sweeney will continue until Thursday, 22nd March, 2018. The last Music Clas of the year will take place on Thursday, 31st May, 2018.
- This week is Catholic Schools Week and the theme this year is- Catholic Schools: Called to be a family of families. Following the success of Grandparents Day last year we have decided to invite grandparents into school again on Wednesday, 31st January for Afternoon Tea from 1.15pm to

- **2.00pm**. As Saturday is the feast of St. Blaise, Fr. McGahan hopes to bless the throats on Friday morning.
- We are collecting **The Irish News GAA** tokens with the aim of securing a coaching day, starting today and ending on **10th March.** Please support us by collecting the tokens and sending them into the school office. For further information visit: www.irishnews.com/coachingdays

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Keira McCallan (Principal)

Permission Slip

I do/do not give permission for my child	to participate in an
Indoor Football Heat in The Station Centre i	n <mark>Omagh</mark> on Wednesday,
31st January, travelling by bus.	
Signed:	
Date:	