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School Newsletter - April 2024

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING AGREED REPORT

There was a Board of Management meeting on Thursday, April 18th. This newsletter contains all the information in the agreed report from that meeting and will be posted on the school website and the parents noticeboard in the school porch.

NEW CLASSROOM

Following a meeting with the school engineer earlier this week, it has been confirmed that Joe Walsh Construction Ltd. has been appointed to complete the building works. This work will begin over the next two weeks, weather permitting. The current school yard configuration will be affected by the construction but it is hoped to keep all disruptions to a minimum while we move forward with this much needed project.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Please note the additional closure to the school calendar for the final term.

Term 3

May 6th	Public holiday, May Day
Saturday, May 11th	Confirmation Day for 5th and 6th Class
Thursday, May 16th	School closes at 12.30 (Staff Meeting)
Saturday, May 25th	Communion Day for 2nd Class
June 3rd	Public holiday, June Bank Holiday
June 4th	Vacation Day
June 7th	Local and European Elections (School in use as a polling station.)
June 26th	School closes for summer holidays at 12.30pm

(Standardised Testing will take place during the weeks May 13th - May 24th.)

SCHOOL TOURS

- The junior classes will travel to Knocknarea Arena, IT Sligo to take part in a Let's Go Camp for their school tour on May 31st.
- The senior classes will travel to Bay Sports, Athlone on June 10th for their school tour.
- More information will follow in the coming weeks.

INFORMATION NIGHT FOR NEW PARENTS

An Information Night for new parents to Mayo Abbey NS will take place on May 15th at 7pm. All parents who have enrolled or wish to enrol their child are welcome on the night.



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CLOTHING COLLECTION

The used clothing collection will now take place on May 8th (this includes clothing, bedding, shoes, towels, curtains etc. Soft toys are also accepted.) Duvets, pillows or cushions are not taken. Bags of clothing can be dropped off at the school from May 2nd onwards. All money raised from the clothing collection will be allocated to the tour fund and this will reduce the cost of the tour for each child.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Gymnastics: Junior and Senior Infants have started attending Gymnastics lessons in Castlebar beginning April 12th. This will be for 6 weeks and will cost €13 per child per week.

'Say Yes to Languages': Mayo Abbey NS are taking part in a 'Say Yes to Languages' Primary Sampler Module which began yesterday. The pupils in 3rd to 6th class will have a chance to try out Spanish for 8 weeks.

Balla Secondary School: The children in 5th and 6th attended the school musical 'The Electric 80's' on Wednesday 13th March. They had a great day out! 6th class have also been invited to a sports day in Balla on April 25th and are looking forward to it.

Athletics: Congratulations to Henry in 5th and Philip in 4th class who took part in the National Juvenile Indoor Championships over the Easter break. In the 600m competition Philip, who was representing Claremorris Athletic Club, won the Boys U12 title in a championship record time of 1:40.03. An outstanding achievement! Well done Philip!

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

A Confirmation Retreat for the children in 5th/6th class will take place in Ballintubber Abbey on April 22nd. The children in 2nd Class will attend their Communion Retreat in Ballintubber Abbey on April 23rd.

2nd Class will celebrate First Confessions on Monday next, April 22nd and their First Communion is in Mayo Abbey church on May 25th at 2:00pm. The children in 5th/6th class will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation on May 11th at 12pm. The Board of Management wish the children every blessing on these special celebrations in their lives.