

# **GOAL JERSEY DAY**

We celebrated Goal Jersey day on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021. We all wore our favourite jerseys that day which was a nice change from our uniforms. A total of €225 was raised. Well done everyone!



### ENROLMENT FOR JUNIOR INFANTS SEPTEMBER 2022

Please see our website for updates on enrollment for Junior Infants Sept 2022.

#### Enrolment: 4th Oct 2021 - 1st Nov 2021

Applications can be made via the online form on the school website. If there is any difficulty with this, please contact the school office directly.

# HALF DAY SCHOOL CLOSURE FOR HALLOWEEN HOLIDAYS

School will close for our Halloween Mid Term Break at <u>12 noon on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October</u> <u>2021</u>. This is to facilitate a half day in school training day for staff for the Primary Language Curriculum. This day was chosen to minimise impact on our school community.

# DRESS UP DAY

Tomorrow (Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>) everyone is allowed to dress up for the day as we look forward to Halloween. Dressing up is optional and anyone who doesn't want to dress up can have a no uniform day.

# GAA WITH DAMIEN

Our GAA sessions have been continuing with Damien every Tuesday for the past 6 weeks. They are great fun. Last week we had a very special guest visit also. Stacey who was part of the All Ireland winning Meath Senior ladies team visited the school and gave the children some pointers on how to improve their GAA skills.



# **RUGBY WITH ADAM**

After mid-term we will have a rugby coach visiting on Thursdays to teach the children some rugby skills.

# PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

Parent Teacher meetings for Senior Infants to 6<sup>th</sup> class are scheduled for the week of 15<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> of November. As there has been no change in guidelines from the Dept of Education, we will most likely proceed with these via phone call. Your child's teacher will be in contact with more details after mid-term break.

# SCHOOL POLICIES

A number of school policies were updated and ratified over the past few weeks. Thank you to staff and some parents who gave feedback on various policies. All updated policies will be uploaded to our school website after ratification by the Board of Management. The Board of Management Agreed Report will also be uploaded to the website following each meeting.



# **OUR SPOOKTACULAR SCHOOL**

A huge thank you to our Parents' Council who did a fantastic job on decorating our school for Halloween. The volunteers gave up some free time on Sunday last week to decorate the front of our school with lots of spooky webs, witches, pumpkins, spiders and more. It looks fantastic! Thank you to Paul McGuinness for the bales of hay, Paul Tallon for some pumpkins and Isla, Emily and Oisín Hartford for even more pumpkins. The children and staff really appreciate the effort. Check out the 'Bellewstown NS Parents Association' facebook page for more pictures.







# MEDICAL CONDITIONS & MEDICINES

This is just a reminder that any medical conditions must be notified to your child's class teacher and an indemnity form must be signed for any/all medication that is administered on school grounds e.g. inhalers, jext pens etc... Please see our updated Administration of Medication policy on the school website for the forms.

# FIRE DRILL

We have conducted a number of fire drills over the last few weeks to make sure all our alarms are working and that the children know where their assembly points are. The children behaved excellently during these drills and made their way to their assembly point in a timely and quiet manner. Well done to all the boys and girls and the staff on preparing the children so well.

# **MIDTERM BREAK**

It's hard to believe mid-term break is here. I'm sure everyone is looking forward to the break. Thank you all so much for the warm welcome to Bellewstown. I'm well settled in at this stage and very much enjoying my new role. It's great to meet new faces as I go along, so feel free to introduce yourself and have a chat any morning during assembly time. Wishing you all a safe and happy Halloween.

Mr. Aidan Mc Loughlin