



St. John's N.S.

Ballisodare

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Incredible Years Parenting Programme:

Sligo Education Centre is running an Incredible Years Parenting Programme starting on Thursday 13th November in the Education Centre on the I.T. campus. The course will run for 12 Thursday nights (excluding school holidays) from 7pm - 10pm. Any parent who would like to do the course may call to the school office for an application form and the course is free.

Religious Examiners:

Yesterday, Sr. Mary Richardson and Sr. Regina Lydon visited all the classrooms in our school. They were very impressed with the good manners and excellent behavior in all the rooms and in the corridors, so well done to all our pupils.

Do This in Memory of Me Programme:

Last Sunday the enrolment ceremony for the Do This in Memory of Me Programme for First Holy Communion took place in St. Brigid's Church, Corhownagh. The next Mass for the programme takes place on 23rd November.

Maths Week:

This week is Maths Week and well done to all the pupils and their parents who brought in their projects based on the theme "We live in a world full of shape". It is great to see so many parents helping their children in an important area of the curriculum. Thanks also to all the staff who have decorated the corridors so beautifully with numbers, shapes, sequences and puzzles and a special thank you to Mrs. Elliott who coordinated the project competition. Thanks also to the parents Association who sponsored the prizes.

Talk on Safe Internet Usage & Cyber Bullying:

There will be a talk/presentation on Safe Internet Usage and Cyber Bullying in St. Mary's College on Tuesday 4th November at 7.30pm. St. Mary's College has very kindly opened this important presentation to the parents of our school and I would strongly urge all parents of 3rd class to 6th class to attend. There will be a reminder sent out after the mid-term break.

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Friendship Week:

Having friends in school is an important part of every pupil's life and next week is Friendship Week in our school. Through curriculum work, songs, poems and a school assembly we hope to highlight the importance of being friendly towards everyone in your class/school and to enhance a positive friendly atmosphere in our school. With the help of the Parents Association we are organizing a Poster Competition for Junior Infants to Second Class, with the Friendship theme. We would be delighted if every pupil participated in this competition, and we encourage help and ideas from the parents.

Halloween:

We would be delighted if every pupil dressed up next Friday for Halloween. Please do not go out buying costumes for the day, but use as much old clothes as you can. The school will re-open on Monday 3rd November at 9.20am after the mid-term break.

**Thanking you,
David Dillon & Staff.**

