

Scoil Naomh Comhghall, Coininsi
St. Comgall's N.S., Connons, Clones, Co. Monaghan



Easter 2007

The staff of St. Comgall's N.S. would like to wish you all a very happy and enjoyable Easter Holiday.

Sacraments: 'The Service of Light' ceremony for all sixth class children will be held in the Sacred Heart Church, Clones at 8:00pm on Wednesday 28th March 2007. All children are asked to arrive at the church in full uniform by 7:45pm. I would be grateful if Confirmation pupils would return their letters of application for the sacrament by tomorrow Tuesday and I would also appreciate it if a parent would volunteer to say a prayer during the ceremony.

Book Club: Our sincere thanks to you the parents for your very generous support of the book club. Children's reading experience should be as rich and varied as possible and this can only be realised through access to reading material at home and through the consistent use of a well-stocked school library. Your support has enabled us to purchase books for the library worth €400 as €1 commission was returned to the school on every €3 spent. My thanks to Mrs. Pennell and Helen for co-ordinating this initiative; we look forward to building up this wonderful reading resource into the future.

Music/Dance: A reminder that Music and Irish dancing classes will commence tomorrow, Tuesday 27th March 2007. Those pupils still requiring tin whistles may purchase them (€3.95) from the school. As *Dance* is a strand of our PE curriculum, tracksuits are to be worn on Tuesdays for the foreseeable future.

Enrolment/ Open Day: Our enrolment/ open day will take place from 1pm to 3pm on Thursday 26th April 2007. Please remind all prospective children and their parents that they are invited to view the school and participate in 'Open Day' activities. We would be grateful if all parents would bring their child's birth certificate and PPS number with them.

Supervalu Tokens: Many thanks for the Supervalu tokens which we are still receiving. To date we have collected approximately 18,000 tokens and as the collection of these tokens by a courier for Supervalu will be not be made until 19th April, 2007 tokens may be handed into the school up until that date.

Far East Magazine: On Friday last Fr. Gerry Mularkey, a priest of the Columban Missionaries spoke to the children not only about his work in the Philippines but also about the Far East magazine. Families wishing to avail of this magazine may return their subscription to the school whereby all money will be returned to the Columban Missionaries in a central envelope.

Sport: Well done to our senior classes for their enthusiastic participation in the Ribena 5-a-side soccer competition. We may not have come home with the cup but a great day was enjoyed by all and the children were excellently behaved.

'Reminiscences': Our senior pupils are currently involved in a folklore/oral history project entitled 'Reminiscences' being run by the Clones Erne East Partnership (CEEP). The aim of this project is to collect and publish material on life along the border, border communities and topics relevant to the history of ordinary life some forty/fifty years ago. The children are asked to sit down and record notes on the reminiscences of an older family/community member on chosen subjects e.g. famous people. At the end of the week the children will write out their findings in essay form on copies provided by the CEEP. I would be grateful if you would support the children in their endeavours by helping them to gather this information. The children are aware of and have photographs of the topics in question.

Easter Break: The School will close at 12:30pm on Friday next, 30th March 2007 for the Easter holidays and will reopen at 9:20 am on Monday 16th April 2007. Our next school development planning day will be held on Thursday 3rd May 2007 followed by a Dráma inservice day on Friday 4th May 2007.

