



Introduction

I hope you all had a lovely Easter break and that everyone has settled back into school life in term three! This term will be both fun and busy in equal measure. Our newsletter aims to keep everyone informed of the many events that will take place during this term.

School Closure on Friday

A reminder that school will be closed for the pupils tomorrow (April 28th) to facilitate staff training for the Primary Language Curriculum. Every school is given two half days for this training and we decided it would be easier for all concerned if we did it in one day as opposed to taking two half days. This training is mandatory for all teaching staff.

School Book Costs

The government recently announced that schools will receive a grant to help buy schoolbooks and copybooks for the next academic year. Over the last three years, we collected one flat fee for each pupil to help cover the cost of workbooks, book rental, arts and crafts, copies, photocopying, folders etc.

It is our intention to **not collect any fee** from parents for next year. We will do our utmost to ensure that the grant funding covers the cost of the above expenses. This decision will be reviewed on an annual basis.

When class teachers are allocated in June, you will be notified of the stationery that your daughter will need to bring with her to school for her new class in September.

School Tours

All pupils are looking forward to their school tours in term three. Below are the dates and locations for each tour. Payment information is available and can be made through Aladdin Thank you very much for your co-operation.

- Junior and Senior Infants Red Mountain Farm Wednesday May 31st
- 1st and 2nd Class Crystal Maze Wednesday May 10th
- 3rd class and Ms Sharkey 4th Class Crystal Maze Tuesday May 2nd
- Ms Andrews 4th Class and 5th Class Flynn Park Tuesday June 6th
- 6th Class We are Vertigo Tuesday June 20th
- Rang Oisín and Cormac The Ark Puddenhill Tuesday May 23rd

Navan Choral Festival

Good luck to our school choir who are taking part in the Navan Choral Festival next Wednesday the 3rd May in St Paul's Primary School, Abbeylands, Navan (Eircode C15 VO67) . The competition will begin at 10:00am.

Pupils will be travelling via bus on the day. Parents are welcome to attend the event if you are free on the day. We look forward to seeing some of you there. Good luck to the girls and thank you to Ms. Costigan, Ms. Griffin and Ms. Tuohy for preparing pupils for the competition.

Active Week 2023

Our Active Week will take place from Tuesday the 6th June until Friday the 9th June this year. Our school sports day will take place on Friday the 9th June (weather pending). All details for Sports Day will be sent via Aladdin closer to the time, we look forward to seeing you there!

School Bake Sale

We are delighted to announce that our annual bake sale will take place again this year on June 15th. All details regarding the bake sale will be sent via Aladdin closer to the time.

2023/2024 Academic Calendar

Our school calendar for next year is available at the following link www.duleekgns.ie/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Duleek-GNS-School-Calendar-2023.2024.pdf