Scoil Lios na GroÍ

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Dear Parents, 8th November 2021

Thank you for your continued co-operation regarding Covid 19 procedures, amid the rising case numbers we ask that you continue to keep children at home if they are symptomatic. The following link contains government advice for parents.

https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/a04fc-advice-for-students-and-their-families/#health-advice-for-parents

During the last two weeks, we were all very busy filling Christmas shoeboxes on behalf of Team Hope to send to children in Eastern Europe and Africa. We would like to thank all of our generous families for donating. It is wonderful to see such Christmas spirit. It is important that our students understand gratitude, appreciate how much they have and to think of other children who have very, very little.

Last week was Anti-Bullying week in Lisnagry N.S. and the children participated in a range of activities school-wide to raise awareness. We reminded everyone of the procedures we have in place to help prevent bullying. Our anti-bullying work was also about hope and the positive and kind things we can do to halt hurtful behaviour in its tracks.

Children First Awareness Week also took place last week from 1st to 7th November 2021. Children First promotes the protection of children from abuse and neglect, by setting out what individuals and organisations need to do to keep children safe, and how to deal with concerns about a child's safety or welfare. Society has a duty of care towards children, and everyone should be alert to the possibility that children they are in contact with may be abused or at risk of abuse or neglect. If you are concerned about a child or young person, you should contact Tusla social work department. Organisations classed as providers of relevant services under the Children First Act 2015 are required to complete a risk assessment and must have a Child Safeguarding Statement in place. More information on keeping children safe in our communities is available at gov.ie/childrenfirst

Congratulations to our boys in 5th and 6th who won the cup final in the Ard Scoil Rís perpetual blitz last week. It was wonderful to see pupils back playing for their school again and hopefully Cumann na mBunscol activities will resume in the new year.

We will be holding Parent Teacher meetings by phone starting on the week of November 29th. You will have an opportunity to book a time that suits you to receive a phone call on the Aladdin Connect app from the previous week Monday 22nd November.

This week we celebrate Science Week. It is always a very exciting week in our school when we encourage an interest in science and incite our pupils to become fascinated by the world we live in.

Best regards,

MICHAEL FEENEY

Principal