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Newsletter - September 2014

Welcome to our first newsletter of the school year and to my first as principal of TETNS. I am happily settling in and getting to know the children and the school and I am looking forward to a busy, fun filled year. I expect to get to know you all and look forward to working closely with you to provide the best learning experiences for the children of TETNS.

Upcoming Events

Student Council elections, for classes from 2nd to 6th, are coming up during the week of 13th October and **Healthy Eating Week** is planned for the week of 10th November.

European Day of Languages

On Friday we will celebrate European Day of Languages. Parent volunteers will share songs and greetings in a variety of European languages. We are lucky at TETNS to have such a variety of languages and cultures in our school community. This invaluable resource adds a richness and diversity to our classrooms and deepens the children's understanding of their own and other cultures.

Speech and Drama Classes

As part of the Schools Completion Programme we are piloting Speech and Drama classes from Juniors to Second Class. Oral language development is one of our ongoing objectives for this year and how better to do that than through drama. Classes will take place on Thursday mornings and will be taught by Sharon Costello of the Academy of Speech and Dramatic Art. Thanks to Oonagh for organising this initiative.

Whole School Meeting

Francisse and I are looking forward to meeting you at the first Whole School Meeting which will take place on October 2nd at 7:30. These meetings provide an opportunity for all involved in TETNS to come together and share ideas on how we can build on and support the work of our school.

Safety - Drop Off and Pick Up

To help us have a safe school year we ask that you park in the car parks outside the school barrier. Please do not drive into the area in front of the school. Please pass on this important safety information to anyone who is collecting your child from school.

The Musical Annie

The best of luck to Brid, Caitriona, Saorlaith and Daire as they tread the boards to perform in the Siamsa Tire production of The Musical Annie. The shows are on Thursday to Saturday at 8pm with matinees on Thursday and Friday at 10am and Saturday at 2:30pm.

After School Catholic Religion Classes

Classes will resume in the school on Wednesday, October 1st, 4-5pm.

Book Rental Money

Thanks to those who have sent in money for book rental, photocopying, art and craft, etc. Any outstanding money should be sent in as soon as possible.

Go raibh maith agaibh.

Mary