



10th February, 2022.

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

I hope that you and your families are keeping well.

Anti-Bullying Policy: The annual review of the school Anti-Bullying Policy was carried out during a Board of Management meeting in November. The updated policy is published on the school website or a hard copy can be requested from the school.

Laura Lynn Foundation Fundraiser: A total of €628 was raised for this cause during the No-Uniform Day in December.

MMR Vaccinations: The MMR Vaccinations for Junior Infant pupils were held in St. Brigid's Hospital, Ballinasloe on Monday, 31st January. Parents were notified in advance. If you were unable to attend for any reason you should contact the HSE office in St. Brendan's Campus, Lake Road, Loughrea to get advice regarding your situation.

Wellbeing Classes: Pupils in 4th, 5th and 6th classes are taking part in a series of wellbeing classes organised through the Galway Education Centre. These lessons are part of the pupils' Social, Personal and Health Education (S.P.H.E.) curriculum.

Parent Power: "Guidelines for Parents of National School Children: This is a Planet Youth publication that covers a range of parenting matters such as: Family Time, Screen Time, Bedtimes, Sports and Hobbies. A copy of the booklet has been given to parents of pupils in Junior Infants, Senior Infants and First Class.

Safer Internet Day 2022: Tuesday, 8th February marked Safer Internet Day 2022. This week pupils will be involved in art activities to promote internet safety for pupils. Please continue to supervise your child's internet usage and social media.

Covid-19: Please keep your child at home if they are ill and always contact your G.P. for advice. If your child has Covid-19 symptoms you should follow HSE guidelines.

Dates for your Diary:

- Celebration of the Sacrament of First Holy Communion for relevant pupils in 2nd Class will take place on Saturday, 30th April in St. Brendan's Cathedral at 11.00 a.m.
- The celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation for relevant pupils in 6th Class will take place on Saturday, 14th May in St. Brendan's Cathedral at 11.00 a.m.

Enrolment of Pupils: We are currently accepting enrolments of Junior Infants for September 2022. Forms can be downloaded from the school website www.stitasloughrea.com or can be requested by phoning (091) 841 605 or emailing st.itasecretary1930@gmail.com.

Mid-Term Break: We will be closed on Thursday 24th & Friday 25th February for our Mid-Term Break.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. P. Coyle, Principal.