



Sn An Croí Ró Naofa

January Newsletter 2019



New Year Wishes

We wish you all a very happy and healthy new year for 2019. We hope you all enjoyed the Christmas break and we sincerely thank you all for your ongoing support to the school.



Annual Card Game Fundraiser

We will hold our annual progressive card drive in the Belclare Community Centre on Sunday February 3rd at 7pm. We would greatly appreciate your support on the night, whether in purchasing tickets and attending the game or if you could provide a spot prize for the raffle. Tickets will be sent home to each family in due course. We are also looking for people to help on the night at the interval with tea / coffee as well as the raffle. Please contact the office by phone on 09355569 or send an email to belclarens@gmail.com, if you can help out.



Active School Project

The children from all classes will take part in the running all over Europe challenge, as part of the active school project from January until Easter break. Each class is nominated a European capital city and they will walk / run in the yard each day, to collectively reach the km distance, from here to that city!





Caper

We hope to start our *Caper* again this month – *Children And Parents Enjoy Reading*. This is where we ask parents to come in to read to groups of children in Junior and Senior Infants for an hour, once, during the program. This is a very enjoyable program for both the children and the parents. Many thanks to the parents who have volunteered their time for this again this year. However, we do not have enough volunteers to get this up and running so far. So, we are going to try and move this to a Friday in the hope that we might reach more parents who are free to come in at 11:40pm, after small break to read to the children. Please let us know by calling the office on 09355569 or sending an email to belclarens@gmail.com.



School General Purpose Voluntary Contribution

Many thanks to all who have paid the per family voluntary fee of €80 so far. To remind those who have yet to pay that we are more than happy to accept this payment in instalments over the school year.



Headlice

We ask you to please check your child's hair on a regular basis and treat as necessary as we continue to have reports of pupils in the school with headlice.





Literacy Programmes

Ms Burkes 1st class are currently taking part in the power hour literacy scheme. Many thanks to the parents for encouraging the children to read their readers each night. Senior infants will commence their shared reading program, starting on Monday next, January 14th, for 6 weeks. Literature will be sent home with the children on this in due course. This program provides an enjoyable way to help improve your child's literacy level.



Confirmation Preparation

Sixth class continue with their preparation for their confirmation on February 19th, we thank the parents and all who are supporting them in this preparation ahead of this important day.

