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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Firstly may I take this opportunity to wish you a very Happy New Year!

Christmas Jumper Collection for Cystic Fibrosis

Thank you all for your kind contributions for Cystic Fibrosis where we raised €216 it was great to see all of the festive jumpers and accessories.

Swimming

Thank for all for your cooperation with the arrangements for swimming today. We look forward to continuing with the lessons for a period of 6 weeks – up to the mid-term break.

School Closure for In-service day

Please note that the school will be closed next Tuesday, 15th of January for an in-service day.

VEX IQ

5th and 6th class have been working hard on their VEX IQ coding and robots. They will be attending a practice session in Canovee NS tomorrow with a number of other primary school teams.

The group will be going to VEX IQ regional event in Kinsale Community School on the 17th of January. Please note the early departure from school at 8.15am and late arrival at around 3.45pm on that day! We wish the team the very best of luck.

Chess

Our chess team, comprising pupils from 3rd to 6th class, is going to participate in the Ficheall tournament on the 29th of January in Éire Óg GAA Hall. I'd personally like to thank all of the boys and girls for their interest and dedication to learning and improving their chess skills, while also representing the school on the county stage.



Active Schools

As part of our New Year's Resolutions to be more active both in school and at home our Active School Flag mascot Active Andy will be doing the rounds again this year. Each week the staff will pick a student that has made a great effort at any ASF activity. Their reward will be to take Active Andy home that weekend and take some pictures with him at whatever sports or fun and game activities they do outside of school.

We will also be adding weekly pictures, or as they are sent in, to our Well Done Wall. If your child/ children take part in any activity, family, club or community event and you would like their picture to be displayed on our Well Done Wall please email an attachment to the school at office@vicarstownns.com

Operation Transformation Walks

Since 2011, the Cork Sports Partnership and the Health Promotion Department of the HSE South have organised National Operation Transformation Walks for Cork every January with well over 1000 attending the event each year. A number of the Cork parkruns are also encouraging more walkers to join them for the National Campaign. Register your place below at www.corksports.ie

Operation Transformation started back last night and is on every Wednesday on RTE 1 at 9.35pm or else can be followed on www.rte.ie. We are doing the 10 at 10 in school as part of our active schools activities.

Active Yard

Following the purchase of our PE trolley by the parents association we are happy to announce that our active yard is up and running. The focus will be to keep children active on yard through games using bean bags, hula hoops, skipping ropes etc. This will make the yard a more interesting and active place but also work on children's fundamental movement skills, fine and gross motor skills. Let's hope it is the start of something wonderful.

School Milk

The school milk scheme will be available again from the 14th of January until Friday 12th of April 2019. The cost of milk for this term will be €12.00 per child. Please fill out the attached slip and return it to the office by 11th of January if you wish your child to avail of milk. (I will assume for the first week that everyone who was getting milk last term, will be getting it this term).

(Child's/Childrens Name/s) _____

I wish my child to avail of school milk for the term January to April 2019.

I enclose payment of € _____ (€12.00 per child)

Signed _____ (Parent/Guardian)

Yours sincerely,

Peter Mulcahy,
Principal