



# Ard Rí Community National School

Ard Rí C.N.S, Balreask Old, Navan, Co. Meath.

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## November December Newsletter

Welcome back for the second half of Term 1. We look forward to a safe, active and enjoyable run into Christmas holidays. Here are some important initiatives and updates:

<b><u>Admissions</u></b>	First round applications for Junior Infants 2021 have now closed. We will be offering places over the coming days.
<b><u>Bizzy Breaks</u></b> 09 Nov- 04 Dec	Bizzy Breaks is a collection of short activities designed by the Irish Heart Foundation for breaks throughout the school day, the programme is designed with classrooms and current COVID19 guidelines in mind. It will be an opportunity to incorporate wellness, mindfulness and movement across the school as the cold weather kicks in.
<b><u>Team Hope</u></b> <b><u>Christmas Shoebox</u></b> <b><u>Appeal</u></b>	This year Team Hope <a href="#">#ChristmasShoeboxAppeal</a> is going to be run differently. Due to the effects of Covid-19 restrictions, it is not possible to send gift-filled shoeboxes from Ireland this year, so Team Hope are asking schools, families, friends, communities and businesses to <a href="#">#TeamUpForTeamHope</a> by donating gift-filled shoeboxes online. The donations will allow their network of local partners in Africa and Eastern Europe to purchase items for shoeboxes, which will then be delivered straight into the hands of children affected by poverty. Often these shoeboxes are the only gift that a child will receive at Christmas and the joy that they deliver is incredible. Visit <a href="#">TeamHope</a> website where you can donate, pack and personalise your shoebox.
<b>Seesaw</b>	By now almost all families have signed up to Seesaw. We have some laptops available to lend out to families who do not have a suitable device to access Seesaw. Please come talk to Darragh if you require support.
<b>Sign up for</b> <b>Parent Association</b> <b>Newsletter</b>	Ard Rí Parent Association are there to offer help and support to ALL parents, should you have a query or simply need to be pointed in the right direction. If you wish to receive our emails and newsletters please send an email to <a href="mailto:parentsassociation.ardri@gmail.com">parentsassociation.ardri@gmail.com</a> and ask us to add you to our mailing list, or find us on Facebook under Ard Ri CNS Parents Association, looking forward to hearing from you.
<b><u>School Plan</u></b> <b><u>Development</u></b>	Teachers at Ard Rí CNS are developing a 2 year calendar of themed events to be celebrated at the school; for example Science Week. We are looking to develop further opportunities for learning and development for our pupils. Parent opinion is very important to us. Please complete this <a href="#">short survey</a> . I look forward to your feedback.
<b><u>Critical Incident</u></b> <b><u>Policy Review</u></b>	We review our Critical Incident Policy on an annual basis. Please review ( <a href="#">here</a> ) and if you would like to recommend any updates email the school before Friday 06.11.2020
<b>Anti-Racism/</b> <b>Inclusion Policy</b> <b>Development</b>	We are beginning the process of developing an Anti-Racism/ Inclusion Policy. In order to weave this into the culture of the school we would like to include as many voices as possible into the policy development. Please email the school on <a href="mailto:ArdRiCNS@lmetb.ie">ArdRiCNS@lmetb.ie</a> if you would be interested in getting involved.
<b>Winter Show</b>	Unfortunately, the Winter Show cannot be held this year. We are working on sharing class performances digitally with the community in December.