

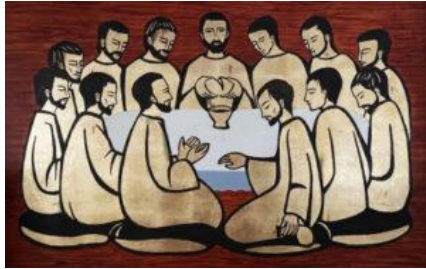
# School Newsletter 26th January 2024



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## Catholic Schools Week 2024

Catholic Schools Week 2024 took place this week. The theme of this year's celebrations was '**Catholic Schools as Communities of Service**'.

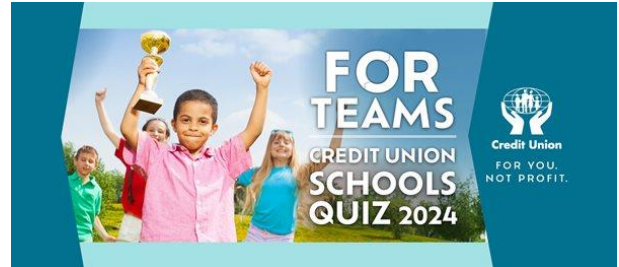
As we reflect on our faith this week, we are asked to look to Jesus as our role model and teacher. In doing so we come to a greater understanding of the importance of Christian service. Jesus served every person he met. He put faith into action by showing all those around him how our Heavenly Father is loving, caring and forgiving. **Jesus didn't just talk about His faith; He lived it.** We are all called to go into the world to share the love of God with everyone we meet.

Our pupils participated in a variety of lessons to celebrate Catholic Schools Week. On Wednesday, pupils acknowledged their grandparents for Grandparents' Day, and they talked about the importance of families. Fr. Des also came to visit the pupils this week.

## Celebration of Family Masses

Please note the following dates for the Celebration of the Family Masses for pupils in 2nd class who will receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion and for pupils in 6th class who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2024.

- Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 9.30 am in St. Cronan's Church, Crusheen.
- Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February at 9.30 am in St. Cronan's Church, Crusheen.



## Credit Union School Quiz 2024

The annual Credit Union School Quiz (Stage 1) will take place this Friday, 26th January. Our school is entering four teams and the pupils involved are looking forward to a great evening. Best of luck to everyone!



## Whole School Gymnastics Programme 2024

Gymnastic classes will take place over five Thursdays in the Crusheen Community Centre.

The dates are as follows:

- Thursday 22nd and 29th February
- Thursday 7th, 14th and 21st March 2024.

The cost for the gymnastic classes is **€15 per pupil** and parents are asked to transfer payment into the school bank account by Monday 19th February 2024 please.

## School Closure

The school will be closed on **Wednesday 21st February 2024** to facilitate staff training in the new Primary Mathematics Curriculum.



Crusheen N.S. is now accepting enrolment applications for children who will be starting school in September 2024. Parents can download our enrolment form from the school website <https://www.crusheenns.net/2024-25-enrolment-information.html> and email/post it to the school. Alternatively, you can contact the school at 065 6827183 or by email at [crusheen@crusheenns.com](mailto:crusheen@crusheenns.com) and request to have an enrolment form sent to you.



### Student Council

The members of the Student Council held meetings over the past two weeks. They discussed how our school could celebrate **Friendship/Anti-Bullying week** which is taking place this year from **the 5<sup>th</sup> to the 9<sup>th</sup> of February**. The Student Council members then brought the topic of discussion back to their classes and all pupils were asked to think about how we could make 'Friendship Week' a positive experience for everyone in our school this year. Pupils were asked to put their suggestions into the 'class suggestion box'. When the Student Council met again, we read through all the suggestions before deciding on a few good ideas to bring back to the class teachers. We would like this year's Friendship Week to be filled with fun activities where everyone can join in with their friends and classmates. Hopefully, everyone will make some new friends and learn how to be a good friend to others!



### Basketball

Boys and girls in the senior classes have been taking part in basketball training after school on Thursdays. They will be participating in the Marion Keane Basketball Tournament which will be taking place on Wednesday 7th February in Gurteen.



### Keeping children safe at the school gate

Some simple things you can do to help keep children safe around the school gate are as follows:

- Drive safely and obey the speed limits.
- Park so that your child can leave the car on the footpath side away from traffic.
- Pay attention to other children at the side and behind your car when parking, dropping off or setting off.
- Park so you don't block the flow of traffic or access for emergency vehicles (don't double park).
- Do not stop or park where there are yellow zig-zag lines along the edge of the road
- Do not park in a way that would block the school entrance or exit, residents' driveways or junctions.
- Do not park at bus stops or private parking spots.



### Support Crusheen Community Centre

Please consider buying a brick, [www.crusheecc.ie](http://www.crusheecc.ie) Thank you for supporting the Crusheen Community Centre weekly lotto draw. Your contribution will help towards making necessary improvements to our halla. Please support Crusheen Community Centre. This link will allow you to purchase tickets for yourself or a friend, <https://bit.ly/3l0vIkX>

## School Calendar January – June 2024



- **St. Brigid's Day Bank holiday**  
The school will close on **Monday 5th February 2024**
- **Mid-Term break**  
The school will close on Thursday 15th February and Friday 16th February 2024
- **March closure- St. Patrick's Day**  
The school will close on Monday 18th March 2024 for the St. Patrick's Day holiday.
- **Easter Holidays**  
The school will close on **Friday 22nd March 2024 at 12:30 pm and will re-open on Monday 8th April 2024.**
- **May Closures**  
The school will close on Monday 6th May 2024  
The school will close on Friday 31st May 2024
- **June Closures**  
The school will close on Monday 3rd June and Tuesday 4th June 2024 and will re-open on Wednesday 5th June 2024.
- **Summer Holidays**  
The school will close on **Wednesday 26th June 2024 at 12:30pm.**
- Please note that the school calendar may be subject to change as part of any contingency arrangements.

### Important Dates for your Calendar

- The First Holy Communion Mass will take place at 1.00 pm in St. Cronan's Church, Crusheen on **Saturday 11th May 2024.**
- The Confirmation Mass for Crusheen, Tubber & Boston Schools will take place at 11:00 am in Crusheen Church on **Saturday 8th June 2024.**

### Star Camp - Easter Egg-Stravaganza 2024

Open to all boys and girls aged 4 – 12.  
9.30am – 2:30pm Tuesday to Friday (4 Days) for the mid term 25th – 28th (Mon-Thurs) & 2nd – 5th April (Tues-Fri). Check out <https://starcamp.ie/easter-camps/> and updates and many fun competitions are on [www.facebook.com/starcampireland](http://www.facebook.com/starcampireland) <https://www.instagram.com/starcampireland/?hl=en> [www.twitter.com/starcampireland](http://www.twitter.com/starcampireland) and [www.youtube.com/user/StarcampIreland](http://www.youtube.com/user/StarcampIreland)

