



## Lucan Educate Together

### Newsletter

December 2019



#### *Dates for the Diary:*

*After School Activities: finishing week ending 13th*

*Final assemblies to celebrate end of year...December 19th at 9.10  
and 11.00 a.m. More details to follow.*

*School closes at 12 noon on 20th December for holidays*

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Last Friday , our teaching staff attended inservice for the further roll out of the Primary Language training in English and Irish . Children in Junior Infants to Second classes are already experiencing this new curriculum . The emphasis is on developing children's oral language skills in Irish and English as well as learning to read and write . On the day we worked on becoming more familiar with the curriculum as well as exploring many strategies for creating rich language experiences to support children's learning .It was a really worthwhile day and many thanks to our Staff who worked so hard throughout the day . Additional information on the language curriculum is available(in a number of different languages) for Parents on <https://www.ncca.ie/en/primary/curriculum-planning> .

There will be further Staff training in term two and three which will necessitate half day closures. We will inform you as dates become available to us.Our class assemblies this week will be led by Muireann's 4th class on Thursday and by Anne-Marie's 4th class on Friday. Both classes have been working hard this week preparing, and we hope you can join us.

Following the assembly on Thursday we invite you to join us in the library for a cuppa and a chat with our Creative Schools Aisling to see how you can help us to roll out our creative schools class projects in January . Please see our website for a snapshot of the projects we are planning. We know there is a wealth of different talents ,which we can tap in to make our Creative Schools project really inspiring . We look forward to seeing you !

**Parking:** Thank you to all who are being considerate of road safety in the vicinity of the school daily . This is a particularly hazardous time of year with poor visibility and weather. As always please be considerate of local residents and others whilst parking at the school and coming to and from the school. It is important also to turn off your engine while you are parked to avoid toxic fumes particularly for children walking and smaller children in buggies . Thank you for your co-operation.

**Calendars:** The majority of the calendars have been collected at this stage. If you have ordered a calendar and not yet paid, payment can be made via Way2Pay. If you have paid for your calendar but not yet received it, please contact the office. Thank you for supporting this fundraiser.

**Lost Property:** The lost property is overflowing and full with jumpers, hats, gloves and coats. Please take a moment over the coming days to drop in and have a look or encourage your child to do so. All remaining items in the lost property will be donated to charity at the end of this school term.

**What's Happening:** Our students are lucky to be able to experience so many different activities throughout the year...here's a taste of what some of our classes have been up to this term!

Snr Infants & 1st Classes have been enjoying GAA Football with David from Lucan Sarsfields.

Our fifth classes have been enhancing their cycling skills with Cycle Safety Training.

1st—6th Classes enjoyed trips to Museum National History Museum as part of SESE

We had a fantastic week exploring the world of Science and the STEM subjects. Senior Infants had great fun on their themed trip to Imaginosity

3rd & 4th Classes have begun Athletics Coaching with Gerry from Lucan Harriers and are looking forward to developing their skills in field events .

**Junior Infant Movie Night:** Unfortunately, due to a lack of volunteers, this event will not go ahead before the end of this term.