

**Macartan's Monthly**  
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**Important Dates**

- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> - School will close for Easter Holidays (at normal times), to re-open Monday 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Smartphones no longer allowed!**

The Board of Management have updated their Anti-Bullying Policy (minor updates) and Internet Acceptable Use Policy, which has had a more significant update. These will be available on our new website, which should go live in early May. Hard copies are available from the school.

Following on from consultations and surveys one important change has been stated in both:

**Children may no longer bring smartphones, or any device capable of internet connection, or camera phones, or any device which can take and 'share' a photo online, onto school grounds or on school trips.**

**Parents Association.**

There will be a meeting of the Parents' Association on Wednesday April 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the school. All welcome.

**Clothes Recycling Fundraiser**

We will be accepting bags of clothes for recycling into the school hall from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

Everything that one wears will be accepted-all clothing, shoes, belts even handbags.

Bed-linen and towels, except duvets, pillows and cushions, will also be accepted: including duvet covers, blankets, pillow cases and sheets.

**Re-opening Date**

The first day of the next school year will be Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2019. *A provisional calendar for next year is overleaf.*

**Sports**

- Well done to our SportsHall Athletes in the county final-particularly 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Boys who came 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- There was a great turnout and effort made for the Cara 5k
- GAA season continues this Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup>-we host a blitz and welcome Kilynard and Creevy.

**Photographer**

The school photographer will be here on 15<sup>th</sup> May.

**Money Mile**

A huge thanks to all who contributed money to the "Money Mile" -**over €1750** raised for the school library! Thanks to Miss Gallagher and everyone else who helped especially the children from 6<sup>th</sup> class who worked hard on the day!