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Dear Parent/Guardian,

***SCHOOL OPEN DAY***

We recently held our **School Open Day** for pupils who are commencing school next September and were delighted to welcome all those who attended. Parents and children were taken on a tour of the school by Mrs. O'Connor where they got an opportunity to visit each classroom and meet our teachers and pupils. After the tour, parents were offered tea and refreshments and got a chance to become acquainted, while the children had lots of fun exploring the toys and activities which were provided for them. Everyone enjoyed the day and we look forward to meeting our new pupils once again when they start school next September. We would like to thank everyone who came along to our Open Day and are very grateful to Mrs. O'Connor for organising this event.

***BOOKMARK COMPETITION WINNER***

A huge congratulations to our 6th class pupil, **Laura Twohig**, who won the 'Design a Bookmark Competition' which was run by the Bookstór, Kinsale in celebration of World Book Day 2017. Laura designed a beautiful bookmark which will be printed by the bookshop. She was presented with a book voucher from Bookstór last Tuesday. Laura's winning bookmark may be viewed on the school's website: [www.minanebridgens.com](http://www.minanebridgens.com). All entries are on display in the store now. Well done Laura!

***PARENTS' ASSOCIATION EASTER EGG HUNT – SPONSORED WALK***

The Parents' Association **Annual Easter Egg Hunt /Sponsored Walk** will take place on **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April in Tracton Woods at 1.00pm** and each child has a sponsorship card. This is a very important fund raising event and everyone's support would be much appreciated.

***THEATRIX – LIVE PERFORMANCE IN SCHOOLS***

As mentioned in a previous Home/School note, we were delighted to welcome THEATRIX to our school during the month of March. On each of their three visits, they performed for the whole school and then provided a workshop for pupils from Junior Infants to Second class. This unique theatrical experience was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone! Photographs are available to view on the school's website: [www.minanebridgens.com](http://www.minanebridgens.com).

***LAST DAY FOR SWIMMING***

Pupils from 3<sup>rd</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> classes attended their final swimming lesson for this school year last Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March. All the children enjoyed their swimming lessons and have made great progress in this important life-skill. We would like to thank Ms. Marie McCarthy, School Sports Co-ordinator for organising the swimming lessons and we also express our gratitude to the Parents' Association for subsidising this activity.

***COMMUNICATION FOLDERS***

We would like to take this opportunity to thank parents/guardians for their on-going co-operation ensuring that communication folders are checked and **returned to the school the day after receiving any home school communication.**

***EASTER HOLIDAYS***

Please note that school will close at **12.30pm** this **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April** for the Easter holidays and will re-open on **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April**. We wish everyone a very Happy Easter!

Yours faithfully,

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*Con O'Callaghan*  
*School Principal*