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Dear Parent/Guardian.

CONFIRMATION CEREMONY

The Tracton Parish Confirmation Ceremony was held at The Sacred Heart Church, Minane Bridge last Friday 12th May. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved for making the day so special for the children and their families, especially Canon Murphy, Ms. Bennett, Conor O'Connell and the Parents' Association.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The Tracton Parish First Communion Ceremony will take place this **Saturday**, **20**th **May** at **11am** in **The Sacred Heart Church**, **Minane Bridge**.

SCHOOL CLOSURE

As previously advised, the school will be **closed** on **WEDNESDAY**, **24 MAY** in order to facilitate staff attendance at an In-Service Primary Language Curriculum Day.

TECHKIDZ - THIRD TO SIXTH CLASSES

Pupils from 3rd-6th class are enjoying their Computer Classes which are being run by **Techkidz.** These classes commenced on Thursday 30th March and are being held each Thursday over a course of 8 weeks. The Techkidz ie programme is tailored to meet the particular requirements of each school and it will give our pupils a fantastic opportunity to significantly build up their skills and learning. We are grateful to the Parents' Association who are subsidising this activity.

SCIATH NA SCOL

Further to recent Sciath na Scol matches, we are delighted to announce that our Girls' Camogie team have made it through to the final against Blarney which will take place during the week commencing 22nd May. Further details will be advised as soon as they are known. We would like to congratulate the team on their success to date and wish them the very best of luck in the final!

ATHLETICS TRAINING - FIRST TO SIXTH CLASSES

Pupils from the above classes are taking part in athletics training at **Tracton GAA Pitch.** These training sessions are kindly being provided by Tracton Athletic Club and are particularly valuable leading up to the Cork Primary School Sports and the School Sports Day.

CORK CITY SPORTS

This year's **Cork City Primary Sports** are scheduled to take place on **Thursday 1**st **June at C.I.T**. Parents/guardians of participants are required to attend.

2ND- 4TH CLASS TRIP TO CHARLES FORT, KINSALE

As part of their History Programme, pupils from 2nd- 4th classes will visit **Charles Fort** in **Kinsale** on **Tuesday**, 6th **June**. A note outlining details is attached for the relevant classes.

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SCHOOL SPORTS/FUN DAY

The Annual School Sports / Fun Day will be held on Friday, 9th June in Tracton GAA grounds, weather permitting. Each class will be participating and all parents are welcome to attend. It will commence at 11.00am and finish at 1.00pm. Children will not be returning to school after sports. Please collect children from the pitch at 1.00pm and inform class teacher if you are taking your child home before this time. All school buses will collect at 1.00pm at the pitch. Children do not need to bring school bags to school on that morning - just lunch and a drink. We recommend that children bring their own beakers on the day so that these can be re-filled with water as required. Sun-cream application is also advisable. Should there be a doubt about the event proceeding due to inclement weather; parents will be advised via the *text-a-parent* service.

SCHOOL TOUR - FRIDAY 16TH JUNE

As you are aware, this year's school tour will take place on **Friday 16th June** and payment is now due. If you haven't already done so, please forward the relevant amount to school no later than this **Wednesday 17th May** as we have to confirm final numbers with the venues. If your child is not going on the school tour, please advise class teacher in writing.

SIXTH CLASS MASS

There will be an end of term Mass for sixth class pupils on **Friday 23rd June**, at **10am**, in the **Sacred Heart Church, Minane Bridge**. All parents/guardians are very welcome to attend.

 $R.S.E. - 5^{th}/6^{TH} CLASS$

Please refer to attached envelope.

Yours faithfully,

Con O'Callaghan School Principal

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