First Communion Class: Congratulations to the pupils in second class who recently made their First Holy Communion. A special thanks to their teacher Mrs. Kennedy and Fr. Brendan McGuinness who prepared them for this special occasion. The Corpus Christi procession will take place on Sunday 11th June after 11:30 mass. All First Communicants are invited to participate.

Cumman na mBunscol: Well done to our school teams who participated in the Cumman na mBunscol competition.

Standardised testing: Teachers will be carrying out standardised testing during the two weeks starting 22nd May to 1st June.

Primary Language Curriculum

School will be closed on 2nd June for staff in-service on the Primary Language Curriculum and New Curriculum Framework.

School Tours

Class	Destination	Date
Ms. O' Brien's, Ms Byrne's & Ms Kennedy's classes	Westport Wild West Activity Park	Wednesday 14th June
Mr Reilly's & Ms. McNeive's Classes	Shannon River Adventure Co. Roscommon	Tuesday 20th June
Ms McGing's Class	Emerald Park	Thursday 15th June

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School Newsletter

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Parents' Association News

New members are always welcome. Please try and support your school by joining the Parents' Association.

Clothes collection

Sincere thanks to everyone who supported the PA fundraising clothes collection. The proceeds from this fundraiser was $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{C}}550$

Easter 50/50

A whopping €760 was raised and congratulations to Ellen Regan who was the winner.

June weekend 50/50

Start putting away your fivers now for our upcoming 50/50 in June. If you're not in you can't win!

Board of Management News

New enrolments: The school is now accepting applications to enrol for September 2023. If you know of anyone who is interested please let them know. Forms are available from the office or to download from our website - www.bekanschool.ie

Footpath at the school: The council have allocated funding to complete a footpath from the school to the church. This will greatly improve safety for pupils for school drop-off and collection. This project is expected to commence during the summer holidays.

Certain policies are available on the school website (www.bekanschool.ie) or a hard copy of any policy can be requested through the office.

School Book Grant: As you are aware , Schools will be receiving a grant this year to supply books to all pupils. A separate letter will issue on this next month, explaining what will be included in this grant.

Junior Entrepreneur Programme (JEP): Well done to Sixth Class and their teacher Mrs McGing who have completed their JEP journey. This involved selling Mystery bags. It was a great success and they made €743 profit. They have decided to use the profit to subsidise their school tour.

Graduation Mass: The Graduation Mass for sixth class pupils and their families will be held on Thursday 22nd June at 7:30pm. Refreshments afterwards in the school.

School Sports Day: This year due to large numbers we will be having a Junior Sports Day and a Senior Sports Day. These days will be held after the June break and as soon as weather permits. We will text in advance to ensure pupils have hats, sun cream, drinks... with them.

School uniform: Children are expected to wear their full school uniform unless it's PE day. Please ensure your child's jumper is clearly labelled, as in the warmer weather, children take them off and they get misplaced very easily if not labelled.

Dates for your diary

June 2nd: Staff in-service for Primary Language

Curriculum

June 5th & 6th : Bank Holiday closures as per school

calendar

June 27th: Summer Holidays