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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope you are all well and that any family still without power following storm Éowyn as and from last Friday have now been restored. Our phone lines are still down. We logged the problem last week and we are still waiting for reconnection. Please contact the school via Aladdin or through email. Apologies for any inconvenience caused and thank you for your patience.

Our Christmas Raffle was a great success. With your help we raised €1085incl. Thank you to all the local businesses and to the wider community for sponsoring prizes and purchasing lines. €550 of this money has been allocated to the different class teachers for purchase of arts and crafts materials to aid their teaching of the visual arts curriculum. The balance of this money will go towards the cost of oil and electricity bills to adequately heat our school.

Our Bí Cineálta (Anti-Bullying) framework policy is still under review. Thank you to all those who completed the questionnaire sent out in December. A subsequent google form questionnaire has been released this morning. Please complete at your earliest convenience. Our school will be taking a half day closure (12pm finish) on 19th February as per circular 55/2024.

Following a review of the quantity of homework assigned by class teachers please complete the survey request in your child's homework journal. Please input the minutes taken to complete homework each evening this week.

Scór will take place on 11th February in Sacred Heart Primary School, Granard. The event will commence at 5pm. Further details to follow on Aladdin.

The qualifiers for FAI Schools Primary 5s will take place on 5th March in Longford Rugby Club. Cumann na mBunscol Championship fixtures will commence on the week beginning 24th March (provisional date).

We have secured a Clothes Collection provider. We ask that you drop off any unwanted clothes to our school from Monday 24th February. Clothes bags will be stored in our hall until collection on Wednesday morning, 26th February.

We're holding an Intergenerational Day in our hall on Thursday 13th March at 1:15pm. Grandparents and or parents are invited to attend. Each class will be performing one or two activities. It should be a fun afternoon.

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Dates for your Diary:

School half-day closure	Thursday 19th February at 12pm
Clothes Collection:	Monday 24th-26th February
Intergenerational Day	March 13th
Confirmation	Friday 7th March
First Holy Communion	Saturday 10th May