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March 2026 Newsletter

Dates for your diary:

First Confession: Wednesday April 15th at 7pm.

First Communion: Saturday 25th April at **12pm**. Children from 3rd to 6th class will sing in the choir on that day. We really appreciate their commitment as it is lovely to have a children's choir at this special occasion.

Table quiz:

We are hosting a table quiz in Molly's pub, Fenagh on Good Friday night, April 3rd at 9pm as a school fundraiser. We would appreciate your support on the night.

Reminders: School Closures for the rest of the school year:

Easter Holidays: School will close on Friday 27th March at 12 noon and will reopen on Monday 13th April.

Public holiday – Monday May 4th

Public holiday – Monday June 1st

School closed – Tuesday June 2nd

Curriculum day-Tuesday 26th May

Seachtain na Gaeilge agus Lá Glas:

Seachtain na Gaeilge (1st – 17th March) provided a perfect opportunity to celebrate our native Irish language. The students were encouraged to speak as much Gaeilge as possible and each child participated every day in Irish conversations. Lá Glas took place on Monday 16th March and it was a great way for the school to celebrate St. Patrick's Day and our Irish culture. Everyone in the school, students and staff wore something green. Each class participated where they sang songs, danced or recited poems. They practiced lots during the lead up to this lovely and enjoyable day.

Friendship/Anti-Bullying Survey:

Friendship/Anti-Bullying surveys were carried out in all classes this term.

School Tours:

Reminder that 1st to 6th Class are going to 'Shannon River Adventure Center in Rooskey' on Thursday the 11th of June. The total cost of their tour will be €42 per child for 1st class children (no water activities) and €50 per child from 2nd to 6th class (which includes water activities), which includes the cost of the bus and their activities for the day. More details on this will follow closer to the time.

Please pay for the tour by 22nd May.

Junior and Senior Infants are going to Molly Moo's in Mullingar on Thursday June 11th also. The total cost will be €25 which includes the cost of the bus and their activities for the day. Please send in the money at your earliest convenience if you have not already done so.

School Photographs:

County photos will attend the school on Monday May 11th. Please make sure your child is wearing their proper school uniform on that day.

SPORTS:

Athletics:

Sports Hall Athletics took place for children in 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th class on Wednesday March 11th. They participated in a variety of running and field events. It was a very enjoyable day for them all.

FAI 5 a side Soccer County Finals**:**

Our boys and girls 5 a side soccer teams took part in the FAI South Leitrim Qualifiers in Gurteen Astro Turf on Wednesday 4th of March. Two girl's teams and one boys team participated and after a day of high quality football, both girl's teams qualified for the Leitrim County Finals with the boys unfortunately losing out on penalties. All teams can hold their heads high after some wonderful performances throughout the day. The Leitrim County Finals will take place in Bee Park, Manorhamilton on Wednesday April 15th. Best of luck to both girl's teams in the Connacht Finals in Castlebar on May 6th with the ultimate prize being an appearance in the All-Ireland Finals at the Aviva Stadium in Dublin in June.

Enrolment for 2026-2027 school year:

Enrolment of Infants in St. Caillin's N.S. for the 2026-2027 school year has taken place. We will have our open day on Wednesday 10th June. We are looking forward to meeting the new children on this day.

Parent Support:

Webwise is an excellent resource that offers help and support to all regarding the online world. The Parents hub explains apps and gives advice and tips to help us all to continue to be responsible digital citizens. www.webwise.ie.

Green Schools-Marine Environment:

Our school has been working on the green school theme –Global Citizenship (Marine Environment) over the last two years. We had Anna Moran from Leitrim County Council carry our green flag assessment visit on March 5th. Through our Green School work, the children have been discovering the importance of the marine environment. They have been learning that the marine environment is made up of many diverse habitats, including cliffs, estuaries, the seashore, sand dunes, and the ocean. They have also been learning the important role it plays in our lives and how we can protect it. Well done to the children on the Green Schools committee on all their hard work for this visit. We have applied for our school's 8th green flag.

Absence:

When a child misses a day, we must get a note explaining the absence. These notes are kept on file. Please use the Aladdin app or use the slips at the back of your child's homework journal.

If you are giving permission to your child to walk home by themselves or walk to meet you somewhere, please advise the school in writing as once your child leaves the school property, the teachers are no longer responsible for their safety.

Fresh today:

Fresh today, our food provider, are hoping to host an informative evening after Easter for parents and they will also provide samples of their food for tasting on that evening.

Heritage in Schools:

Fionnuala Maxwell came to the school yesterday through the Heritage in Schools scheme. She visited every class over the day. She sang songs from the locality and talked to them about lots of different historical aspects of Fenagh. The children thoroughly enjoyed her visit.

Please see the school calendar for 2026 – 2027 school year at the back of this page.

ST. CAILLIN'S N.S. 2026-2027 SCHOOL CALENDAR

	SCHOOL DAY CLOSURES
School Reopens	**Thursday 27th August 2026 at 9.05am.**
Halloween	**Closed Oct. 26th-Oct. 30th, school reopens Monday 2nd November**
Christmas	**Closes Tuesday 22nd December Reopens Wednesday 6th January 2027**
New Bank Holiday St. Brigid's Day	**Monday 1st February**
February Mid-term	**Thursday 18th and Friday 19th**
Public Holiday	**Wednesday 17th March St. Patrick's Day**
Easter Holidays	**Closes Friday 19th March Reopens Monday 5th April**
No School	**Friday April 30th**
Public Holidays	**Monday May 3rd**
Public Holidays	**Monday June 7th**
Summer Holidays	**Tuesday June 22nd**