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Dear Parents,

Firstly a big welcome to our two new teachers – Ms. Sarah Moriarty who is teaching 2nd and 3rd Classes and Ms. Sarah O’Brien who is teaching 5th Class. We hope that their time here in Leighlinbridge will be a happy and fruitful one. A big welcome back also to Mrs. Michelle Byrne – we’re all glad to see her on her return!

Congratulations to 6th Class on their recent award for their Agri-Aware project entry. They were invited to the Ploughing Championships to be given lunch and to receive their prize. Well done! Photos of the event are online at www.leighlin.net.

Well done to our girls footballers who have won their way through to the semi-final of the Cumann na mBunscol competition. They are a credit to themselves, their families and their school. A big thanks to Ms. Cullinan for her voluntary work with the players.

We still have some unclaimed jackets and coats from last year. If you wish to contact Kathleen we will try to reunite you with your lost property. Failing that, we will donate them to charity in the next collection.

If you happen to be shopping in Tesco and have some sports tokens, we will take them if you wish to donate them. Please don’t change your regular shopping habits just to support this or any other scheme. Proper funding for primary schools would reduce the need for such promotions, a case you might make when people come to your door looking for votes next year.

Here are some dates for your calendar:

The Monster March will be held on Thursday, 26th October and there will also be a staff meeting that day so the school will close for all pupils at 2 p.m. (on the 26th). Halloween break will be from Monday 30th October – Friday 3rd November inclusive. School will be closed for pupils on Friday, 10th November (teachers’ in-service). School will be closed for pupils on Thursday, 8th December. The school will close for Christmas holidays on Friday 22nd December and reopen on Monday 8th January 2007. Spring midterm will be for a full week: February 19th – 23rd. School closed for teachers’ in-service on Friday, 2nd March. Easter will be for two weeks, closing on Friday 30th March and reopening on Monday 16th April. School closed for teachers’ in-service on Monday, 30th April. Confirmation will be on Saturday, 26th May at 11 a.m. and First Communion on Saturday, 5th May at 11 a.m.

Finally, one of our biggest successes last year was the coming together of parents and teachers to help with the painting of the school. The Board of Management reckons that voluntary work to the value about €5,000 was contributed last year. If you have any number of hours to volunteer then please contact the school or Parents Association and give your name, we would be delighted to hear from you.

Yours sincerely,

Principal