A chairde, thankfully the cold snap has passed and the signs of Spring are beginning to appear. A reminder that school is closed tomorrow for staff CPD

**Security doors**

Over the past few days we had a security access system installed on external doors. There is now a smart doorbell on each door which connects directly to the school office.

**Supervision**

Our insurance company, Allianz, have advised the following circular:

*The school will open to receive pupils at the hour of 9:10 am and cannot accept responsibility for pupils arriving before that time. Classes will commence each day at 9.20 and end at 3.00. Parents who wish to have their children escorted home should make their own arrangements to have them met at the school gate and the person to escort them should be at the school not later than 3.00p.m. as the school cannot accept responsibility for looking after the children after that time. Please contact the office if you have any concerns or objections around this arrangement.*

**Junior Infant Parent Teacher meetings**

Will take place on 10th & 11th Feb. Slots will be released on Aladdin towards the end of January

**Catholic Schools week**

Next week is Catholic Schools week for each school under Catholic Patronage in Ireland. There will be many activities in each classroom for those who participate in RE.

**Grandparents Day**

One of the highlights of Catholic School activities Grandparents Day. It really is one of the best days of the school year for the children. Mass will be held in the church at 9:30 am on Wednesday 22nd followed by Tea & Coffee in the back room of the church. Grandparents are then invited to visit the classes between 10 and 11am.

**Talent show**

In the next few weeks we will have our 'Allenwood's got talent' show here in the school. Now is the time for singers, dancers, musicians and performers to start thinking about their routines and putting in the practice

**Frasai na seachtaine (phrase of the week)**

Cá bhfuil tú ag dul? – Tá mé ag dul go dtí an leithreas srl

Where are you going? - I'm going to the bathroom etc

Have a lovely weekend. Le meas



Ciarán O'Toole
Principal