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17 November 2023

Dear Parents

We have had a very productive 'Anti Bullying' week:

• The children have worked within their classrooms on a range of activities to increase their understanding of the role that each of us has to play in reducing bullying within our school.

• We appointed and announced our Anti Bullying Ambassadors at assembly (Friday past) and their training with Mrs Donnelly commenced this week. They have been working on a presentation that will be shared with families and pupils in the coming days.

We feel that it is very important to have the Anti Bullying message reiterated after Anti Bullying week has ended, to show the children that it is an ongoing issue that we always need to be working on, not something that we think about only in a designated week.

<u>Book Fair:</u>

I remind parents that the **book fair** will arrive in school next week and will be open for business on Monday the 27th of November through to **Wednesday the 29th of November from 8.30 to 9:00am and in the afternoon from 2:00 to 3:30pm**.

Once again, I would be highly appreciative if any parent felt he/she could help out during these times. If so, please contact me on 028 302 62175 or at mmonaghan771@c2kni.net. We hope that this might be a nice time for families to pick up a few Christmas presents.

School council work to date:

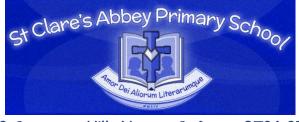
Following on from the highly successful Halloween disco, our busy pupils are now planning their next event which will be a **pajama /non uniform day to be held on Friday 24th November**, pupils are asked to make a contribution of $\pounds 1$ or $\pounds 2$.

<u>Christmas:</u>

I remind parents once more that assistance can be provided for any family struggling to manage Christmas this year. Please feel free to contact me in the utmost confidence.

Reminder- A team of school nurses will be in attendance on Monday as part of the annual flu vaccination programme. It will involve pupils whose parents have provided consent on the medical form distributed by the team.





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And finally..... Our **Parents Volunteer Reading programme will commence next week-** should anyone still wish to volunteer, please contact me. Training led by Mrs Donnelly will take place on Monday, so there is still time to include anyone who feels that they could participate. This is a valuable experience for all involved and we are so appreciative of those who help us in this way.

I conclude by wishing you a lovely restful weekend,

Yours in partnership,

Mrs M Monaghan

