

	Item	Update	Action/Support
1	Play it Forward	On behalf of the school and Board of Management, I would like to extend a huge word of thanks to the PTA for hosting a fantastic event on Saturday. It was wonderful to see everyone enjoying the day together and so many parents giving of their time to offer skills such as teaching French and Spanish, balloon art, Henna, art and craft, selling cakes, clothes etc. Well done on a great success!	
2	School Tour Dates	<p>Junior Infant School Tour- Friday May 26th Senior Infant School Tour- Monday May 22nd 1st Class-Thursday June 1st</p> <p>More details regarding the tours will be sent out by the class teachers this week.</p>	
3	Active Week!	We are really excited to announce that we will be hosting a full filled Active Week in school from May 8th-12th . The children will be involved in different activities each day with a special surprise organised towards the end of the week. It would be really great to have some parents	

		involved in this week. Michael is leading this initiative so keep an eye out for parent helper request this week! More details to follow.	
4.	Standardised Tests	Over the next few weeks the children in Senior Infants and 1 st class will be completing some standardised tests in the area of Numeracy and Literacy. All schools in Ireland are obliged to complete this tests. Children are not prepared or informed in advance for these tests. It is simply an additional tool to help us assess the children's progress to date, in line with national standards. If your child's teacher has any concerns about your child's performance, they will contact you. Otherwise, you will learn more in your child's end of year report.	Find out more info here .
5.	School Photos!	School photos will take place next week, for any children who want them. There will be a leaflet sent home in folders with more info later in the week regarding prices etc.	
6.	Afterschool Clubs!	New term for choir (Wednesdays 2.30 - 3.30) and recorder ensembles (Thursday and Friday 2.30 - 3.00) are starting this week. For any more information please contact Rachel at rachel@shellybanksetns.ie	

		<p>Lego Club: There are still places available for the second round of Lego Club which will start this week (Wednesday+Thursday 3rd+4th May). If you would like to enrol your child please get in touch with Aileen on aileen@shellybanksetns.ie</p>	
7.	Student of the Week	This week the children will be working on ‘We use kind words when talking to others’	
8.	Gaeilgeoir na Seachtaine	<p>This week we are asking the question: Person 1:How are you? Person 2: I’m good I’m great! Thanks be to good/Thank goodness</p> <p>Person 1: Conas tá tú? (cun-us ah thaw too?) Person 2: Táim go maith. (taw’m guh mah) Táim go diail.. (taw’m guh deal) Buíochas le Dia (B-wee-oh-cas leh dee-ah)</p> <p>If you would like to practice your own Irish or help your child improve their vocabulary, try out the www.duolingo.com website!</p>	

9.	Board of Management	BOM Meeting Wednesday May 3 rd .	
10.	Book Payment	Unfortunately we were unable to send out the breakdown for Book Payment last week. This will be sent out on Thursday. Thanks to those who have already made the payment of €150.	
	A Note from the PTA	<p>Play It Forward:</p> <p>Thank you to everyone who came out and supported the school at "Play it Forward". It was a fantastic day of fun and celebration! We raised a whopping €4000 towards our school readers! A special thank you to the "Play it Forward" committee and volunteers who made it such a success!</p> <p>Clothes Drive Fundraiser:</p> <p>You've cleared your kids clothes, now is your chance to clear your own! The PTA will be running a Clothing Drive Fundraiser and will be collecting bags of old clothes from the 15th-19th of May.</p> <p>More details to follow, so be on the lookout!</p>	