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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



A MESSAGE FROM MS. CLEAR

Welcome to our Easter newsletter. We have been so busy this term with lots of activities taking place. Take a read of our newsletter to see what we have been up to. We had a visit from the Easter Bunny and Easter Chick who wished us all a Happy Easter and hid some chocolate treats for all the boys and girls. Thank you for all your support this term and for your interest in your child's education. I hope the lovely spring weather continues and that you all enjoy the Easter break.

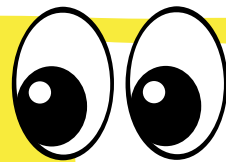
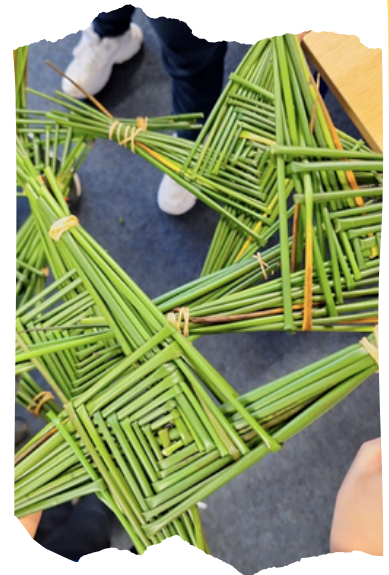
STUDENT COUNCIL

A big thank you to our Student Council who helped raise our Cineáltas Flag. Cineáltas means kindness. This flag is a visual symbol for us to be kind and to work together to prevent and address bullying.



SECOND CLASS

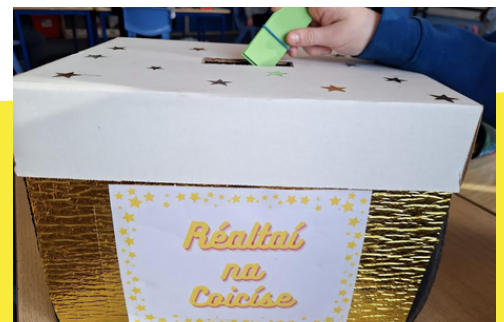
Second class had a busy term where they were lucky to make over one hundred St. Brigid's Day crosses out of reeds. A huge thanks to Fr. Fergal. The boys & girls also made their First Confession on 5th & 6th March. Their next sacrament is on Saturday 25th May when the children will receive their First Holy Communion. Let's pray for good weather.



ON THE LOOK OUT

A Ticket for the Golden Box
"Good Morning"
Good Manners

"Please" "Thank You" "You're Welcome"



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WORLD BOOK DAY CELEBRATIONS!

We love story-time and books, so on Thursday 7th March, we celebrated World Book Day. Classrooms were buzzing with excitement. The children enjoyed lots of stories, buddy reading, quizzes, book-tasting fun, fairy-tale puppet shows and lots of chatting about our favourite stories, authors and characters.

VEX ROBOTICS

We are delighted to be involved in a STEM programme called "VEX Robotics" in the Sacred Heart School on the 9th April. It seeks to increase children's interest and sense of fun in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM). This project encourages creativity, teamwork, and problem-solving skills.

The children got the opportunity to build, design and program two robots to compete in different challenges. These robots can be driven manually and automatically using coding. We are eagerly looking forward to the competition after the Easter break. VEX Robotics is being delivered by Cork Institute of Technology and Offaly Co. Council.



HSCL NEWS

This term we enjoyed more classes in the school such as our Make-Up course with 'Nakid by Sharon Leavy' and our regular art and craft classes. It is always so wonderful to meet so many family members and new and old faces each week in the Parent's Room!

After Easter, we will be starting up our walking group again, a hair styling course, flower arranging and some more in class initiatives where parents will be invited into their child's class for some games etc.

For second class parents - I still have a number of absolutely beautiful (like new) communion dresses in my room. Please get in touch with me if you'd like to have a look. Don't put yourself under any extra expense! As always, I enjoy meeting you all and visiting as many houses as I can. I am only a phone call away so please call me if you have any concerns or queries (I can try help!)

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ATTENDANCE



ATTENDANCE NEWS

Thanks to all the parents who recently took time to complete our Parental Questionnaire on Attendance. Our Statement of Strategy for School Attendance is now available on the school website.

TESS (Tusla Education Support Services) are currently running a national poster competition that aims to promote and increase attendance. We have great prizes on offer in school and will be submitting entries to the regional competition. Next week certificates will be presented to children with excellent attendance so far this year.

If you have any concerns or queries in relation to school attendance please contact Mrs Bridget Clear, Principal on 057 93 41121 or our Home School Community Liaison Co-ordinator, Ms Eavan Byrne on 087 1213737.

Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

ACTIVE SHOOOL

GAA sessions have recommenced, and we are delighted to have Dylan training us on the new Astro pitch in O'Brien Park.

We are enjoying working on our movement and ball skills and playing fun games.



ÁTHAS 2

We have had such a fantastic term in Áthas 2! Everybody has worked so hard learning about the clothes shop, the farm and the house! In February we celebrated Candice's birthday and in March we celebrated Kevin's!

We continue to use our good manners and Lámh every day to say "please", "thank you" and "you're welcome" and can't wait for the good weather to start in the next term so we can get outside more!

FUTSAL IN THE YARD

We welcomed Gary, from the F.A.I, to St. Joseph's in March to introduce Futsal in the Yard to 2nd class children. We are looking forward to more sessions with Gary in April.



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

School will reopen Monday 8th April.

Wellbeing Week 15th April

Book Fair 18th-25th April

Cake Sale 24th May

First Communion 25th May

Active Week 10th June

Fun Days 12th & 13th June

GREEN SCHOOL NEWS

The Green School Committee have been brilliantly busy this term. We have been working on our "Marine Environment flag". On Thursday, we unveiled a beautiful new mural on the corridor which reminds us all to care for our oceans by not littering and saving energy. We also welcomed over 500 little friends to our new wormery and we will be feeding them every week. The Tidy Towns Committee did a litter pick with us around the school and in Arden View. And some fit people joined us on a walk the whole way from Clonminch. We also have a fabulous new Green School Rap which sounds great! Well done everyone.

SEACHTAIN NA GAEILGE

We celebrated Irish Week from the 11th to the 15th of March. Everybody made a great effort to use more Irish during the celebrations. All classes enthusiastically took part in many exciting activities such as Irish dancing, class buddy visits, listening to traditional music from our own staff along with a visiting trad group from Sacred Heart School. Teidí Seosamh made a welcome return to visit all the classes. Bhí go leor spraoi againn agus bhainamar an taitneamh as an seachtain.



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