

# Easter Newsletter 2022

## Achievements

### Well done to

- ◆ Ronan Dennigan, Eleanor Gavigan, Roisin Lohan and Sophie Cleary for winning prizes in the library art competition.
- ◆ Ronan Dennigan, Ruth Dennigan, Eleanor Gavigan and Roisin O'Reilly for getting 4th place in the Scór na nÓg quiz.
- ◆ Claire Farrell, Freya Brennan, Josh Clarke, Adam McCormack, Darcy Carroll, Rían Fannon, Aoibhinn Mullarkey, Ben Mullen, Georgia Hannon, Eoin Shally, Reece Clarke, Roisin Mullarkey, Alex Brennan, Aoi-bheann Mullen, Tommy Farrell, Harper Carroll, Isabell Farrell, Ruby Banahan and Patrick Lohan all passed their swimming levels.
- ◆ Colm Dennigan, Adam McCormack and Rían Fannon won a rugby blitz in Creggs.

## Jokes

Q. What did the egg say to the bunny?

A. Lets get cracking– Georgia Hannon

Q. What's an eggs favourite music ?

A. Carry-yolky-Daithí Farrell

Q. What did the Easter egg say to the sun?

A. Nothing because it was melted– Bernard Rudden

Q. What do you get when you pour boiling water on a burrow?

A. Hot, Cross bunnies -Dara Kelleher



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### Letter from the Principal

Dear Reader,

I would like to welcome you all to our Easter newsletter. It's great to report that school life is returning to some degree of normality. Events such as First Confession and Confirmation took place as scheduled. Swimming and school tours will hopefully take place during the last term. Pupils can now mix with other pods in their classes rather than being confined to one particular pod. This makes class life more interesting and easier all round. Having said all that, I would still ask you to continue with a responsible approach. If your child has symptoms please keep them at home.

I am delighted to announce that the school has been approved for the summer works scheme and that our tarmacadam will be replaced during the summer holidays. On a sad note I would like to extend my sympathy to the Thuborn family on the sad passing of Sarah, and to the Kelly family on the sad passing of Mattie. May they rest in peace. I know all the pupils are looking forward to the Easter holidays and their Easter eggs. I hope they all get a good rest and return full of energy for the last term which is always busy and action packed.

S O'Donnell

### Dates for your diary

Fri 8th April – Closing Easter

Fri 15th April -Passion play

Mon 25th April -Reopening

Mon 2nd May -Bank Holiday

Thur 5th May-School swimming starts

Sat 28th May-Communion

Fri 3rd June –School Holiday

Mon 6th June -Bank Holiday



## Confirmation

6th class made their confirmation on the 24th of March. They made it with 6th class from Roxboro. It took place in the community centre. Each candidate could bring 4 people with them. Bishop Kevin Doran performed the ceremony. Everyone had a lovely day. 6th class also decided to donate a small amount of money to a charity since they would be getting a lot of money for their Confirmation. They are giving a tenner each to The Irish Cancer Society.

## Passion Play

5th and 6th class will be taking part in the passion play on Good Friday (15th of April). Carmel Kelly is kindly helping to organise it. We have done lots of practices in the church and we are looking forward to performing it. The ceremony begins at 12. All welcome.

## Confession and Communion

2nd class made their First Confession on the 15th of March and will be making their First Communion on the 28th of May. They are all really looking forward to it. We hope they all have a great day. Thanks to Fr. Conatty and Deacon Seamus for all their help.

## Seachtain na Gaeilge

On the 16th of March all the classes went down to the community centre for a St Patrick's Day quiz. The teachers picked a few teams which all had a captain from sixth class. The infants couldn't participate in the quiz because there were a lot of questions in Irish that they couldn't answer so they sang their Saint Patrick's day songs for us. There were 6 rounds with 8 questions per round. The top 3 teams got a prize which was a trip to the shop to buy a packet of sweets. Well done to Rebecca Healy, Ruth Dennigan, Jake Donlon, Emily Hanley, Josh Clarke, Jack Gately, Ignas Jonavicius and Aoibheann Mullarkey who came first in the quiz.

## Drama

5th and 6th attended drama class with Ms O'Sullivan on Tuesdays for 10 weeks in the community centre. They will perform and record a scene from the Shakespeare play; Macbeth which will be e-mailed to the parents of fifth and sixth class. They have really enjoyed their Tuesday afternoon drama.

## Easing of Covid

As you all know covid rules have eased off so it is no longer mandatory to wear masks in school. It now allows us to have our assembly's in the hall instead of on Zoom. We can also move around our classes and the school more freely.

## Down Syndrome Day

It was World Down Syndrome day on the 21st of March. Everyone in the school was wearing odd socks to promote the day. A link was e-mailed to parents as an optional way to donate.

## Amber flag

Ms. Dolan has established an Amber Flag committee in the school. The members are Rebecca Healy, Katie Cleary, Bryan Moran, Finnán Miley, Bhuvu Bhandari, Aoibhinn Mullarkey and Daithí Farrell. The committee hopes to obtain an amber flag for promoting mental health awareness. They are having a mental health awareness week from the 9th to the 13th of May.

## Green Schools

This year the Green Schools committee are focusing on the theme Global citizenship, litter and waste. They have been doing a project on some countries and how we can help stop polluting the earth. We also have started litter picking, composting and bird feeding. On the 7th of April we will be going around the community picking up rubbish as part of the spring clean up. All classes have also planted vegetables such as sage, onions, parsley, lettuce and pumpkins in the poly tunnel. These will be transferred outside in the next couple of months.