

October 2020

Dear parents and children,

This has been a busy half term for us all here at school. The children are well settled now and deserve a good rest as do we all. School closes this Friday the 23rd of October for mid-term break. We open again on Monday the 2nd of November.

The children are invited to dress up on Friday and we will go on our sponsored walk, hopefully the weather will be dry. Please remember that masks, accessories, wigs, face paint are not allowed this year. Please put any sponsorship money in an envelope and bring to school. The Parents' Committee have kindly bought treats for all the children.

Children can bring their own treats that day, no nuts please.

Thank you to the parents' Association who donated €3350 towards the purchase of laptops. These are due to arrive this week and will be given to classes to use.



It is important that we do our best with the new restrictions. You have been great at keeping us informed when your child is sick and that is much appreciated. We are sending the locker bags home on Friday so that you can give them a good clear out. Some books will be sent on Thursday so that the bags aren't too heavy on Friday. Likewise when returning teacher will let the children know which books to bring back first.

We are continuing our focus on Oral language. This month the topic was Homes/Houses Sa Bhaile. Writing genre focus is procedural writing e.g. recipes, instructions, menus.

I wish you all a safe and happy half term. It will be a quiet one for all but at least we will get a good rest. See you all on the 2nd of November.

Ms M Murphy



Maths Week 2020 went ahead as usual.



Art by 2nd class learning about patterns.



Learning all about shapes.

Marathon Kids

Marathon kids training is ongoing. The pupils are getting fitter and fitter. This training is still going ahead and it is great for the children.

Green School Committee:

This year the Green School Committee is Ms O' Mahony's class. By having the class as the committee we can meet easily and plan our activities for the year ahead.

A great way for the committee to start their work was to explore their local natural environment. The class went on a nature walk up to the park.



Outdoor learning is the way to go!



The Sack of Balbriggan.

We are very lucky to have our own resident artist . Tommy is involved with an art group in Balbriggan who are working to promote artistic talent in the town. Tommy arranged that a selection of art by Balbriggan artists depicting the Sack of Balbriggan could be displayed in our old prefab. Some classes visited the exhibition in their PODs and Tommy talked them through the art and the history. Big thank you!



Here we have our own artistic prize winner. Well done.



Yellow Flag Committee

The committee has had their first meeting. They are introducing their class to the ideas behind the committee which is to promote diversity and inclusion in our school.

One member of the committee, Ella has devised our school code. See on the next page. This year we are working towards the renewal of our yellow flag. The committee met outdoors with Mr Callaghan and Ms Kiernan.

GOAL jersey day 2020.

Thank you for your generosity. €268 was donated to GOAL.

