

Dear all,

We are coming to the end of another school year.

Our sports day is on Friday the 6th of June, weather permitting.

A timetable of events for sports day has been attached to this newsletter. Please take the time to read it to ensure you know when your child is taking part.

It is so important that all the children take part and only a written note from you will excuse your child from participating. The emphasis is on participation and fun.

The parents' committee will host a vintage cake sale on that day with tea and a cake for sale at €2. The children can bring in cakes and buns on Thursday the 5th of June. Any other nonperishables can be brought in from now onwards. Children will be able to purchase goodies on sports day after they have completed their events.

Class teachers will escort their class to the hall when it is their time to go to the cake sale. Please do not bring your child to the cake sale as each teacher will have a time slot allocated to attend. Otherwise all the cakes will be gone before the older classes can get their chance to buy.

Again please remember your voluntary contribution if you can. So far 89 families have contributed; there are 254 families in the school. You can use our paypal system or simply send an envelope in with your child.

Our book rental scheme is being put in place. As the deadline for this year has passed it will open again for 3rd up to 6th in February 2015 for anyone interested next year. The cost was set at €30 this year. Many thanks to the book rental committee, Mrs Callaghan, Ms J Denver and Mrs P Carew.

The school uniform requirements have changed slightly for next year. The tracksuit can be purchased as usual from McFaddens. This year you the choice of purchasing a plain navy sweat shirt (no hoodies, no zips), plain navy tracksuit bottoms and a light blue polo shirt in any department store. There is strictly no stripes, logos or brand names allowed. The school crest can be bought in McFaddens.

Mrs Murphy



Reminder:

May 28, 2014

School is closed this Friday the 30th of May and Monday the 2nd of June.

Infants will go home early at 12.30 for new infant induction days on Thursday the 12th and Friday the 13th of June.

Sports day 6th of June

Irish dancing show 11th of June

Communion

The communion was very successful and the beautiful sunshine added to the day. The children were a credit to you all. Well done to the choir and Mrs Callaghan for all their hard work and to Ms Farrell and Ms Burns.

Confirmation

I would like to give a special mention to the children who made their confirmation and who donated money to Cancer Research, a total of €260. They were very generous with their contributions. Well done.

Parents' Committee

The parents' committee continues to beaver away. Their next fundraiser is their vintage cake sale. Last year it was an absolute treat for everyone. Please support on Friday the 6th of June. Cakes etc can be dropped to school on Thursday 5th of June. Nonperishables can be sent in from now.

Important dates for your diary

Sports Day: Friday the 6th of June

Time table attached.

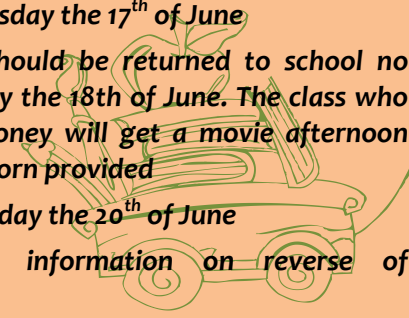
For new parents this is a nice event to meet other parents.

Sponsored Walk: Tuesday the 17th of June

Sponsorship cards should be returned to school no later than Wednesday the 18th of June. The class who collects the most money will get a movie afternoon with drinks and popcorn provided.

Graduation Night: Friday the 20th of June

Second book sale information on reverse of newsletter.



Green Flag

As part of our ongoing work on our theme on Bio-Diversity the children in Ms O Mahony's and the Green Flag committee planted some lettuce, onions, carrots, radishes, peas and beetroot. A big thank you has to go to the children who looked after the plants during the Easter holidays.

Well done to all the children and parents who took part in the National Walk to School day.

Santry 2014

Teams have been chosen for this Thursday's event.

Parking is restricted this year so it is recommended that you park at the Omni Centre and walk down.

Cricket: The Leprechaun Cup

The team won their match against Donabate on Friday the 23rd of May and are due to play St Oliver Plunkett's NS, Malahide on Wednesday 28th at 12 o Clock in Malahide. The best of luck to Mrs McGovern and the team.

Soccer

Discover Science and Maths Award

We received our fifth award this week. Thanks to all the staff and children for their hard work and to Ms Farrell who co-ordinated and documented the work.

Lost Property/ clothing

All items must be collected before or on Wednesday June 25th. After this date they will be available for anyone to take from the school porch. On Friday the 27th of June whatever is left will go to St Vincent de Paul. There are perfect items of clothing in the lost and found tub!

Second hand book sale:

This year 3rd and 4th class can sell their books to the present 2nd and 3rd classes on Wednesday the 25th of June. Children in 2nd class who wish to sell their readers to 1st class can do so on that day also.

We are asking for 5th and 6th class to donate text books this year but of course they are free to sell them second hand if they wish to on Wednesday 25th of June.

Booklists will show books in book rental scheme which means you do not have to purchase these **only** if you have paid into the scheme for the coming year.

Please continue to check our website. A new school self -evaluation page has been added and will be updated soon.

Our oral language theme is hobbies/pastimes for June .



Generous offer

One of our parents has offered to pay for two children to take part in a programme for primary school children at the Centre for Talented Youth, based in DCU. Please look up online and let me know if it is something you may be interested in.

Active week 2014

Active week begins on Tuesday the 3rd of June with a wake and shake programme. During the week we will encourage the children to be active through Wake and Shake in the mornings, PE lessons, a diary of their activities will be kept by themselves and the week will include Sports Day.

Tennis:

The girls made it to the semi-final and played so well. They were faced with stiff competition and played very well but were unlucky.

Mrs Callaghan and Ms Whyte's classes are receiving tennis lessons at the moment.

Yellow Flag:

We had a lovely visit to Bracken ETNS for their intercultural day. We wish them well in their endeavour to get a yellow flag award. We were treated to an exciting fashion show with traditional costumes and dancing.

Wheelchair association of Ireland visited the school . The children in 6th class experienced what is like to play wheelchair basketball. A great experience.

Mathletics

The mathletics programme has been very successful . Remember that we can use it up to the end of July. We received an outstanding achievement award which is displayed in the porch. Congratulations to all. Thank you to the parents' committee who paid for this.

**School reopens on Thursday
the 28th of August 2014**

