

Easter Newsletter




It has been a very busy few weeks with Friendship Week, Seachtain na Gaeilge, World Book Day and Confirmation and we have been learning about St Patrick, Lent and Easter and preparing for Proclamation Day!



A huge congratulations to our 6th class children who celebrated their Confirmation on Thursday 25th February. It was a lovely ceremony by the Most Reverend Bishop Fields and the children did themselves, their families and their school proud. Many thanks to Fr. John, Fr. Karl and Ella Doran from the parish for all their help with the preparations for the Confirmation and of course to Ms. O' Mara for all her work with the 6th class. Many thanks to the children from 5th class who sang so beautifully in the choir on the day and to Mrs. McAuliffe for preparing the choir for the event.

Here is a look at what has been going on in the classes in Scoil Mhuire of late:

- Junior Infants are looking forward to St Patrick's Day and Easter. They all hope the Easter Bunny will make a visit.
- Ms. Shelly's Senior Infants made beautiful Easter Baskets using paper plates.
- Mrs. Doyle's class have been working on the theme of the 'construction site' in Aistear.
- Mr. Lynch and Ms. O' Grady's 1st class have been very busy learning about 1916.
- Ms. O' Grady's class had an Easter Egg Hunt. 
- Mr. Lynch's 1st class were busy practising all their Irish phrases during Seachtain na Gaeilge.
- Ms. Walsh's 2nd class went on a lovely walk to the train station. The children have been working on trains as a topic across the curriculum.
- Ms. Mc Grillen's 3rd class have been busy editing their books for the 'Write a Book' project.
- Both 4th classes have been studying about rivers. They went on a geography walk to the River Rye and saw where it met the Liffey.
- 4th Class went to INTEL to attend the Knex Challenge which was most enjoyable.
- Ms. O' Driscoll's and Ms. O' Donnell's 5th class wrote fabulous essays about 1916 for the Leixlip History Society Essay Competition.
- Ms. O' Mara's 6th class held their own election on the 24th of February. They formed various political parties. The children designed logos, chose party names, chose their head candidates and a lot of thought went into their campaign promises. The children in 4th and 5th classes got the opportunity to vote in the election.
- Room 3 have been learning about St. Patrick. They have also been learning lots of songs and poems about amazing superheroes.



- The children in Room 4 have learned some beautiful Spring songs which they sing each morning at circle time.
- Both classes are really enjoying the weekly Music classes with Laura O' Neill.
- The Leixlip Community Games Art Competition was held in the hall on Friday March 4th.

- During **Seachtain na Gaeilge**, the children made a special effort to speak Irish. Every class performed an Irish poem or song at assembly. 3rd to 6th classes attended a Tráth na gCeist in the hall organised by Ms. O' Mara. Ms. O' Sullivan came back on Friday 11th March and held a Ceilí Mór in the halla. The children all wore green for our Lá Glas and were delighted to see Ms. O' Sullivan! They all learned different dances and an enjoyable day was had by all.

Inspection

We had an 'Incidental Inspection' last week by an Inspector from the Department of Education who was very impressed with the teaching and learning in our school.

New website

We would like to announce the launch of our new website www.scoilmhuireleixlip.net. We have had great feedback from parents about the website and would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms. Deirdre Shelly for all her hard work in creating this website.

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At the moment in Scoil Mhuire, the corridors are filled with a fantastic display of buildings from 1916. The results of this construction competition will be announced on Wednesday 16th March. We heard that lots of families have been busy working on the projects! Tuesday March 15th is **Proclamation Day** when each school will hold a flag raising ceremony to raise the flag that was delivered to them by the Defence Forces earlier in the year. We ask that each child wear their full uniform on Tuesday.

Reminder:

- Please report to the office when you enter the school. Please don't call to classrooms directly.
- Try to have your children on time for school in the morning.



Dates for your Diary



- 1st – 17th March - Seachtain na Gaeilge
- 15th March - Proclamation day - Commemoration of 1916 Rising Celebrations
- 17th March – St. Patrick's Day Parade – Meet in Scoil Bhríde yard at 12.30pm.
- 14th May - First Holy Communion



Lá Fhéile Pádraig sona daoibh! Beannachtaí na Cásca!
Enjoy the Easter holidays from Mrs. Mescal and all in Scoil Mhuire.



School reopens April 3rd.