

Scoil Mhuire

Newsletter - February 2022

Our school
website is
updated regularly,
so be sure to
check it out!

Skippy John



We were very lucky to have Skippy John from 'Skipping 4 Life' visit our school for a skipping workshop on January 13th and 14th. Every class enjoyed learning lots of different skipping skills. We finished the workshop with a whole school show, where some children from each class displayed some of the new skills they had learned. It was a brilliant two days and has really promoted skipping in our school!

Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week was celebrated from January 23rd to 30th and was based around the theme 'Living Life to the Full.' Beautiful posters and cards were designed and decorated for Grandparents Day. The children showed great pride in sharing stories and photographs of their Grandparents. For St. Brigid's Day the children made Brigid's crosses using materials such as reeds, colourful paper and lollipop sticks. A big thank you to John Joe Brennan from our Board of Management who collected and delivered reeds to our school.

Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day was held on February 8th. Each class completed lessons with their teachers on how to be safe online. Classes designed posters and coloured in pictures whilst listening to the Safety Code Song "Stop, Think, Check". Every child received a wrist band for their participation. Parents can find out more information on our website or on Webwise.ie.



Active Schools Flag

All classes have really enjoyed our Active Flag skipping challenge this term. This challenge, 'Climbing the Heights,' encouraged children to 'skip' to the top of various mountains from around the world. The children have loved trying out their new skipping skills and using the school's new skipping ropes.



Friendship Week

All classes have been very busy this week doing lots of friendship and kindness activities within their own classes. Each class was also paired with another class in the school to become buddies for the week. Classes did various activities together, for example skipping, exercises, PE classes, reading, scavenger hunts, zooms, poster competitions and making friendship cards. As always, the week was a great success!

Service of Light and Confirmation

The Service of Light was held on February 2nd. During this service, the parents of the sixth class students passed on the flame of faith using their baptismal candle. On February 17th our two sixth classes celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation. This was a very special day for the students, their parents and families. Both sixth classes completed a lot of preparation, including doing a Confirmation scrapbook, writing about 'What Confirmation Means to Us,' learning their prayers and responses and choosing their saint's names and sponsors. They attended the church with their parents and sponsors. We say a special thank you to Ms. O'Mara, Ms. Milner, Ms. Irwin, Ms. Corduff, Ms. O'Leary, Ms. Eastman, Fr Aloysius and Ella Doran, our parish worker, for preparing the children for the ceremony.



Upcoming Dates:

28th Feb School reopens at 9.20am

3rd March World Book Day - Dress up Day

1st - 17th March Seachtain na Gaeilge 16th March Lá Glas - Dress up Day

3rd March Accord Talk for Parents of 6th Class Students

17th & 18th March School Closed

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Other Notices

Free Online Safety
Webinar for Parents

facilitated by Barnardos Online Safety Trainers. Weds 16th March at 7pm.

Book Now:

Barnardos.ie/parentsOSP

<u>Kildare Education Centre</u> are offering a webinar on **Getting**

Ready for Secondary School for

Parents of 6th class on

Tues 10th May from 7pm-8pm.

Registration on <u>www.eckildare.ie</u>



