

St. Gabriel's Easter Newsletter

6th class made their confirmation on Friday the 24th of March. The sun was shining and everyone had a lovely day!

We also went to the DSPCA and learned about how animals are looked after and cared for when they are in need. Have a look at our blog to see some photos.



HSCL News

Check out all the photos on the HSCL blog on the school website!

The mothers, fathers, brothers, aunts and nannies of 3rd Class are spending Friday afternoons with their family playing board games. If you're free, pop along, the more the merrier!

Children from 3rd-6th Class read books at home and, together with their families, completed some lovely work that is now displayed in our local library and around our school. On 28th March,

Rean Moore, Sophie Burke and Vlad Melinte represented our school at the literacy showcase in the local library and spoke about the work they did.

8 of our Junior Infants parents and children are took part in Chatter Matters. All parents felt more confident in understanding how their child learnt to talk after completing Chatter Matters. What parents learnt from taking part:

- 'I gained more understanding for the little people in our life and how they interpret and learn from us as parents'

- 'I learnt lots in Chatter Matters but mostly how important it is for our kids to read to them and speak properly to them'

- 'Giving time for my child to answer questions and taking the time to listen to my child'



Well done to Ms Crampton's senior infants who won the attendance drive with 94.9%. They beat 5 other classes who all had over 94% attendance! That's a great achievement and they have won a surprise school trip.



SEACHTAINE NA GAEILGE

Seachtaine na Gaeilge was over two weeks in March. We had lots of extra Irish activities to remind us to use our Irish. We had 'An Brat Bia' again this year which is a flag of green, white and orange fruit and vegetables. Children munched on everything from broccoli and lettuce to juicy mangoes and bitter lemons! We learned the names of the colours and the fruit which we nibbled our way through. The children performed Irish songs and poems at for at the Irish assembly. Ask your child to sing some of them for you at home! You'll find 'Tóg amach mé' which is wagon wheel in Irish on Youtube . We finished the week off with our 'Lá glass' and two wonderful ceilí's. The children learned three dances and had great craic dancing around the hall!

Beannachtaí na Cásca oraibh!

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World book Day took place on Thursday 2nd of March & we loved celebrating everything to do with books. Lots of classes went to visit Ballyfermot Library to hear stories, have a tour of the library or to do some activities. Some children brought in their favourite book to school & told their class all about it and some classes had teachers from other rooms visit them to read a story.

All the children got vouchers which entitled them to a free book in their local bookshop, hope they had lots of fun spending these!

News from Senior Infants Room 3

We have had a very busy time in Room 3 since the last newsletter. We LOVE to learn about animals & we now know lots of facts about elephants, tigers, rhinos & lots more. We have also been learning about how plants grow & even grew our own cress from seeds. We have been watching a broadbean plant grow & hope we will soon have a magical beanstalk in our classroom!! We are also getting so good at our reading & writing. Happy Easter to all our families & friends!



Happy Easter from Ms. Mooney's First Class!

Spring has arrived in Room 24! First Class have made birds' nests, lamb pictures, spring flowers and look out for the farmer on his tractor! The daffodils we planted have grown and now we are waiting on our Sweet William. It's great that Spring is here at last!



We are looking for a cleaner here in St. Gabriel's, if you or someone you know would be interested please contact the school office on 01 6265958, for more details.

Just a reminder that...

School closes for Easter holidays at **12 on Friday 7th of April** and will re-open on Monday, the 24th of April!

School will also be closed on Monday the 1st of May for the May Bank Holiday.

School Closed on Monday 5th June for the June Bank Holiday.