

# St. Gabriel's September Newsletter

## CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS

If you have changed your contacts details (address, phone number etc), please notify Joyce in the office. If we do not have a valid mobile number, you may not get important messages sent by text .

### Welcome Back Everyone



It's lovely to see all the happy faces back in school and everyone looking so smart in their new uniforms. I hope everyone has a happy and productive year.

Loretta Dunphy

### CLASS MEETINGS

The beginning of year meetings with the class teachers will take place during October, If you can not make the meeting please feel free to re schedule an appointment with your child's teacher. Dates and times will be sent by text.

### Welcome Junior Infants!!!

#### Ms. Mooney's Class Room 1



Greetings from Junior Infants in Room 1. We are having a great time settling into St. Gabriel's. We are learning to read and to write, and we know lots of new rhymes and songs. We love doing art and made lots of hedgehogs and squirrels for Autumn. We think our new school is great!

#### Ms. Smyth's Class Room 3



### 5<sup>th</sup> Class News

We've had a really busy start to the year in 5<sup>th</sup> Class. We had a great visit to Kylemore College last week. All the girls really enjoyed themselves! We also started swimming this Tuesday. The girls brought their Beat the Street fobs with them and got some points for the school! Don't forget to tap when you see a Beat Box! We are using computers a lot this year.

Please help your daughters without padlet pages and with spellingcity.com. Great start to the year, keep up the brilliant work around time-keeping, attendance and uniform!

### Beat the Street!



Our school is participating in Beat the Street. This is an initiative to get Dublin walking! Every child received a fob and instructions on how to register. Please sign up and earn prizes for our school! When you pass a beat box you tap the fob and when you tap at a second box you get points for the school and we all know POINTS MEAN PRIZES!!

### Staff Football Game



You might have heard about the small match that happened in Croke Park on

September 17th, but did you hear about the main event in St. Gabriel's yard last Friday?!? The Dublin staff took on the rest of the staff and after a very competitive 10 mins the Dubs emerged victorious!! Up the Dubs!! But we might let Mayo win next year ;).

### 6<sup>th</sup> Class take the lead



6<sup>th</sup> class are very excited to start back in St. Gabriel's as the leaders of the school. We have had a really fun month with lots of exciting things happening. We worked with Steve from the Junior Achievement Programme learning all about the importance of design in our world. Check out our blog to see lots of photos of our great month.



### Head Lice

Head lice are a common problem in schools but they seem to be particularly prevalent this year. The only way to ensure that they are kept at bay is by very frequent fine combing. Parents/guardians need to routinely check and fine comb their child's hair. When you get a note about head lice, please fine comb your child's hair that day and keep checking it in case your child has picked them up.



### St. Gabriel's Drama Club

is back up and running!

Lots of the children from 5th and 6th class have joined this year and are already excited about performing in the new year.

Rehearsals have begun and the girls are proving to be a very talented bunch.

#### Hi from Ms. Kelly's 4th class!

We've settled back into school and eager to fill our minds with great things! We are looking forward to working hard. Next month we will be taking a trip into Trinity College to visit the Book of Kells. We have been reading about it in class and we are fascinated about how old it is bye for now!

### Frása Na Seachtaine

Every week we pick a specific phrase to focus on 'as gaeilge'. Below are September's frásaí. It might be fun to practise them at home.

- Dia Duit – Hello  
Response = Dia is Muire Duit
- Go raibh maith agat –  
Thank you
- Gabh mo leisceál –  
Excuse me
- Le do thoil-Please

## REMINDERS

Last day for return of proofs for photographs is Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October, please return them to the office or your child's teacher.

Class Meetings will take place in October, you will receive the date & time by text, please make sure the school has an up to date phone number for you.

Mid-Term – School Closed from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

School will reopen on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November

