



# News At Holy Family

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

SCHOOL BOOK FAIR  
19TH -26TH APRIL

MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY  
2ND MAY

NORTHERN IRELAND  
ELECTIONS 5TH MAY

27TH MAY  
SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY

MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY  
30TH MAY

EUROPEAN REFERENDUM  
23RD JUNE

RELIGIOUS DATES  
PRIMARY 3  
CONFESSIONS 13TH  
APRIL

21ST MAY  
FIRST HOLY  
COMMUNION



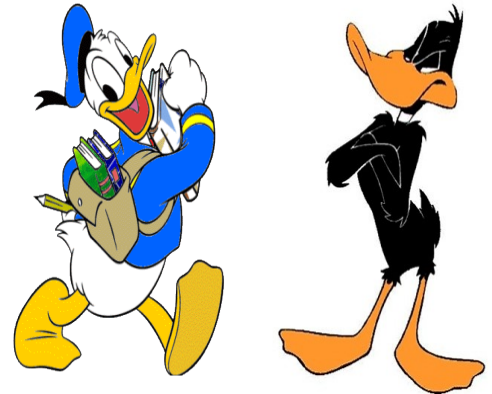
## Friends Of Holy Family Treasure Hunt

On Sunday, 10th April the Friends of Holy Family held a treasure hunt in aid of school funds. The Winning teams were 1st) Gilchrist family, 2nd) Napier family, 3rd) Hamill family. The PTA raised £835 on the day and would like to thank everyone who supported the event.



## Friends Of Holy Family Duck Derby

Also part of Sunday's fun day was a Duck Derby. There was a great turnout and the winners were 1st) Jude Quinn, 2nd) Sarah McPolin 3rd) David Morrissey.



## Eggstreme Primary Maths Challenge

Congratulations to our pupils for achieved 1st place in all of Ireland and 4th overall in the United Kingdom in the Manga High Easter challenge. All those pupils who scored 100 points or more were awarded with chocolate. Another brilliant result for Holy Primary in Mathematics.



## Our high scores in the 'Manga High Eggsteme Primary Maths Challenge

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|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Thomas Hill      | 15. Kathryn Twomey     | 28. Matthew Murray           |
| 2. Bebhionn Rogan   | 16. Jude Quinn         | 29. Thomas Hanlon            |
| 3. Zara El-Hertani  | 17. Joshua Starkey     | 30. Patrick Robb             |
| 4. Connor Davis     | 18. Justine Wynn       | 31. Conor Blaney             |
| 5. Jonathan Dalzell | 19. Sarah McPolin      | 32. Antony Tokic             |
| 6. Thomas Napier    | 20. Anna Tokic         | 33. Sean Rafferty            |
| 7. Patrick Gilooly  | 21. William Moore      | 34. Patrick Madine           |
| 8. Jack Deegan      | 22. Dylan O'Neill      | 35. Joseph Maginn            |
| 9. Caireen Ferguson | 23. Claire Green       | 36. Alicia Dobbins-Rodriguez |
| 10. Eamon McKinney  | 24. Mary Ann Smyth     |                              |
| 11. Lucy O'Neill    | 25. Niall Robb         |                              |
| 12. Lucas Twomey    | 26. Katie Russell      |                              |
| 13. Sean Murphy     | 27. Caoimhe McGuinness |                              |
| 14. Paul Flanagan   |                        |                              |



### WORLD BOOK DAY

3rd March was World Book Day and there were a number of brilliant costumes on display from everyone.



## Eco-bus visits Holy Family Primary

The whole school enjoyed a visit to the Eco Bus on the 16th March. The class were really interested in the recycling talk by Noel, and the importance of using the recycling bins. Each class had a different task—some made their own plant pot out of recycled newspaper and filled their pot with compost and cress seeds, others made recycled badges and entered a competition for 'Green goodies'.



### Eco-Council - Green Flag 2016

Congratulations to our Eco Councillors for successfully renewing our Green Eco flag on the 22nd March. They have worked extremely hard all year to achieve this. Well done! Also, a big thank you to the whole school for all their help, we couldn't have done it without you all.



**Grade 1 Viola achievement**

Congratulations to Jessica Sloan, Bebhionn Rogan and Patrick Quinn who achieved their Grade 1 examination in viola. Pictured with the pupils is music teacher, Mrs Clodagh Oakes.



**Shared Education—Academy Play Dress Rehearsal**

Primary 7 pupils attended our partner school, Academy in Saintfield, on Thursday to attend the dress rehearsal of their Western themed play. It allowed the pupils to catch up with their friends from the other school.



**New York Marathon**

The School Council organised a raffle for an Easter Hamper with the proceeds going towards sponsoring Conal Murnin, who is running the New York Marathon in aid of Action Cancer.

Conal Murnin is a past pupil of the Holy Family and is running the New York Marathon after his family received good news recently. We successfully raised £350 for his cause.

Conal has just set up a just giving page.

[www.justgiving.com/ConalMurninNYC](http://www.justgiving.com/ConalMurninNYC)

If anyone would like to make a donation please visit the above address on the Internet.

**Teconnaught Cross Community Pre-School**

**Car & Tractor Run**  
*Family Fun Day*

**Registration from 12 Noon**  
Teconnaught Pre-School BT30 9AN

**Sunday 24th April 2016 2pm sharp**

**Assembling**  
Holy Family Church Car Park, Teconnaught, Co Down (Drumnaconagher Road/Annacloy Road)

**Route**  
via Magheralane Road & Loughinisland Road

**Finish**  
Teconnaught GFC pitch, Rann Road

Minimum Donation £8 per car/tractor  
Plus light refreshments will be served at finish

**Family Fun Day from 2pm**  
Teconnaught GFC pitch  
In aid of Teconnaught Cross Community Pre-School  
Registered Charity No: XR 18736

All cars and tractors welcome  
(Vehicles must be insured on the day and drivers must have a valid driving licence)

For further info contact:  
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## Green Day 2016

All of our pupils enjoyed dressing up in Green for our Saint Patricks day celebrations. The money raised from 'Green Day' went to Habitat for Humanity, who visited us in January to provide 'Our Waste, Our World' workshops to the boys and girls in P3 to P7. It is part of our commitment in Holy Family of teaching pupils of the importance of recycling in school and at home.



### Anti Litter Campaign

Our whole school has worked really hard to raise awareness of the dangers litter can cause to the environment and especially our school grounds. Everyone in our school is now included in our daily litter picks. We also took part in a colouring in & poster competition to inform the children how important it is not to be a litter bug. Thank you to all children at Holy Family.

### Big Spring Clean

Another part of our litter campaign was that the Eco-Council decided to take part in a Big Spring Clean earlier this year. Thank you to all the boys and girls who helped with this. We are always aiming to be more environmentally friendly within our school and most importantly, keep our school grounds litter free. Keep up the fantastic work!



