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April 2022 Newsletter



School Closings: Spring Term

The school will close on Wednesday 13th April at 12 noon for the Easter Holidays and will re-open on Monday 25th April for the summer term.



First Penance took place on Tuesday 16th March St Mary's Church. Well Done to all of our Year 4 children who were just amazing.

Baby News

Congratulations to Mrs McDermott on the birth of her son. Pio McDermott was born on 1st March. Welcome to the world baby Pio.

Confirmation

Confirmation will take place on Wednesday 30th March at 6.30 p.m here in St Mary's church. Bishop Larry Duffy will officiate at the ceremony. We would like to wish our Year Seven children and their families all the best on this very special occasion.

Covid-19

Thanks you so much for supporting us over the last number of weeks as the number of cases of Covid-19 escalated in the school. We are still seeing lots of Covid-19 cases in the school. However guidance for schools remains relatively unchanged and we still have all of our mitigations in place.

Community Garden

Our community garden is coming is coming together. There is a lot of work still to do and hopefully we will get started on planting over the next few weeks. We are so grateful for all the amazing support and help we have had had so far. As I'm sure you know costs have escalated for all building supplies and things are costing us far more than we had anticipated. So we are having an Easter Draw to help to pay for additional costs for the garden. We would really appreciate help with prizes and selling lines for the draw if you can.

Thanks

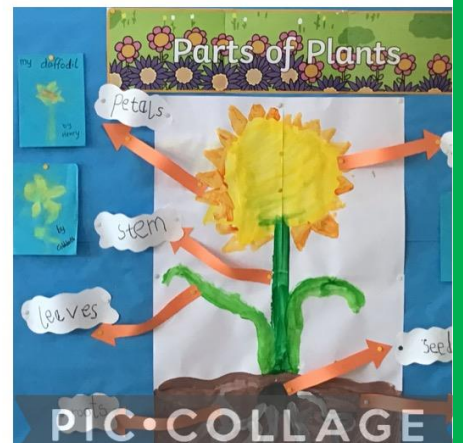
Many thanks to Bellanaleck Art McMurrroughs for providing additional coaching to the school. Shanna Cassidy and Mrs Cullen come to the school on a Friday and take all of our classes from P3-7 for fundamentals and Gaelic. Thanks so much for all your support



We have been really busy out and about this month; Take a look at what we have gotten up to.



Look at the lovely work we have up all around the school.



St Mary's Mullymesker
Easter Draw

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Numeracy

Our Focus for the next few weeks will be Measures:

This involves lots and lots of practical work in weighing, measuring, filling emptying etc.

Children will be learning to:

- Understand and use the language associated with length, 'weight', capacity, area, long /longer /longest etc is the same length /weight as: full/empty /half-full etc
 - Use non-standard units to measure i.e handspans, cubes, spools etc
- As children get older they themselves recognise the need for standard units;

Children will take part in activities which will enable them to understand the conservation of measures.

- Know all units of measurement cm,mm,m: ml,l,kl:g:kg: tonnes.
- Convert units of measurement i.e grammes -kilogrammes millimetres-centimetres-metres-kilometres etc

Encourage younger children in the Foundation Stage (Year One and Two) to use the language of measure around the house. The living room is six strides long...ten footsteps wide etc. Support children in helping you to weigh out ingredients. Or simply filling and emptying containers at the sink or in the bath. How many cups fill the bottle? etc

Encourage older children to help you measure things around the house, estimating and then checking their measurements.

Older children should convert measurements in their heads:

e.g 5 metres=500 cms, 300g=0.3kg etc

