



APRIL 2021 Newsletter



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Dear families and friends

I am delighted to be writing this newsletter with the children back in school where they belong. We have left the remote learning behind once again and are settled back into our school routines.

On behalf of the Board of Governors and staff I want to thank our school community for being supportive and respectful to staff over the last few months. We are so proud of the close communication that was maintained between home and school. Your kind and thoughtful messages are very much appreciated.

We are now looking forward to our Easter break where we will recharge our batteries in preparation for Term 3.



EASTER HOLIDAYS

Monday 5th April-Friday 9th April 2021. We return to school on Monday 12th April.

SHARED EDUCATION PROGRAMME

Our Shared Education partnership is continuing with Oakgrove IPS, Culmore PS and Ashlea PS. The staff and children have been collaborating via online sessions this term. Look out for the pictures of their work on the school website.

CONGRATULATIONS



We want to give a round of applause to our lucky prize winners this month, winning prizes in the Mayor's 'Easter Bonnet' competition and 'Paint by Pixels' at St. Mary's College. Well done children, we are very proud.



Congratulations also to Mrs O' Hagan on the birth of her beautiful baby boy Killian. Mrs O' Hagan and Killian are doing great and will call to see us when it is safe to do so.

CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION



I have already sent out the statement from the Bishop in relation to the sacraments being postponed until later in the year. This is disappointing and we are hoping for better news soon. We will continue to prepare the children in school for their special day so that we are ready should dates become available.

HEALTHY ME-YOGA BUDDIES



We have enjoyed 'Yoga with Mary' throughout lockdown and are pleased that Mary will return to us in school after Easter.

SUSTRANS ACTIVE TRAVEL



Thank you to Mrs Conway, our SUSTRANS champion for keeping us up to date with active travel news. The benefits of keeping active cannot be stressed enough. Our children have many opportunities to be active during the school day and we hope to build on this in Term 3. We are aiming for our 'Silver Award' and will send more details about this after Easter. Remember to keep walking, cycling and scooting until we see you on the 12th.

ENGAGE FUNDING



We have been awarded additional funding to allow this programme to run after Easter. Miss Mc Feely has been teaching in various year groups since November. It has been so helpful having another teacher in the school to support us with the teaching and learning. Miss Mc Feely will work with Mrs Barrett and Miss Kerr after Easter. We hope this programme will be available until June. More information will be shared with these year groups after Easter.

WEBSITE-SCHOOLS NI APP

To keep up to date with what is happening in school, you need to visit the website regularly. This is especially important now that remote learning has finished.

Some messages are sent privately to specific year groups rather than flood the public message feed with class information. You may need to restart your notifications in the Schools NI App if you are not receiving the private messages relevant to your child or child's class group. Let me know after Easter if you need help with this.

HAPPY EASTER

Wishing you all a very Happy Easter from everyone at CRPS.



Mrs. Bacheta and staff