



Cois Bá - Cairdeas, Cumasú & Creideamh



May Newsletter



Sacramental News

As you are aware the church remains closed under current restrictions and the parish have been advised that no dates can be scheduled for sacraments. We have one 6th class from last year still to be confirmed, as well as our current four 6th classes, that would have been due to be confirmed this month. All of our third classes have also not received their First Holy Communion yet, as that did not go ahead last year.

In addition we have been instructed not to hold any public events such as graduations. While we will do our best to mark our 6th class pupils moving on, we will not be able to invite parents to any graduation ceremony. We have booked a photographer to take graduation photos of the classes, as they won't have an opportunity to get Confirmation photos. We will be in touch with parents with arrangements for these as soon as we have them from the photographer.



Sport News

We are very grateful to our neighbouring club Naomh Barróg, for allowing us to use their facilities for some outdoor lessons during the summer term. We are also working on plans for Sports Days for each class level that can run in a safe manner within our Covid procedures.

Green Schools

Ms Deaton's class have put out their fairy doors into our little garden, and along with bird feeders added by other classes, it is looking very nice. Some of our fifth classes have planted sunflower seeds and are tracking their growth. There is also a bird bath in progress. Lots of other plants and vegetables are growing in other classes: 6ths - veg, 4th - beans, 3rds - strawberries, sunflowers, turnip, carrots, peas, chives and lettuce plants. Meanwhile, the 4th and 5th classes are reviewing our use of water bottles and plastic in the school.

We are also collaborating as a whole school on a new 'green motto' so watch this space!



Book Creator Winners

Well done to everyone who took part in our digital story writing competition using the Book Creator app.

Winners:

Ryan Richardson, Gracie McKendry, Fionn White, Isabelle O'Kennedy, Rhys Sergeant, Ciara Brophy, Emily Flynn, Abigail Ryan, Beatrice Knott, Sadhbh Mc Carthy, Kian Sargent, Aoife Heeney, Melanie Doyle, Rían Shortall, Joe Lydon.

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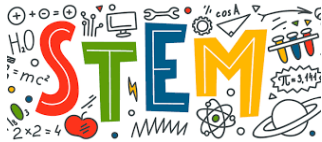
Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths(STEM):

The following events have been scheduled for May -

Dublin Bay Biosphere Partnership

C/O Dublin City Council are currently working with the school to arrange Science Field Trips to Bull Island and the Interpretive Centre.

We will also celebrate National Biodiversity Week.



Social Personal and Health Education/Wellbeing (SPHE):

Our teachers are currently preparing their handover meetings for next September. Other events that will take place in May are **Volunteerism Week** 18/05/21, **National Walk to School Week** and **Healthy Eating Week** 11/5/21.

We have also booked Mr. Ger Brick to deliver an **Internet Safety/Cyberbullying Presentation** for parents of 6th class pupils on **Monday 17th** via zoom. The 6ths are taking part in parallel workshops that day also.

The **Relationships and Sexuality Education Programme (RSE)** is being taught in our 4ths, 5ths and 6th classes this term. Ms. Clonan and the class teachers have already been in contact with you via email to outline the course content and to ask you for your participation in this very important part of your child's education.

Covid Procedures

Thank you for all your cooperation with all the additional procedures around Covid-19. We really appreciate you completing the mandatory declarations on Aladdin Connect in a timely fashion following any absence from school for your child. We are also very grateful that children are kept at home if they have any signs of illness at the moment. We really want to keep our school safe and open and with your help we can have a happy and healthy summer term.



Dates for your Diary

-The school is closed for the May bank holiday on **Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th May**.

-The school will close for the June bank holiday on **Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th June**.