



May Newsletter



Sport News



Third Class - Hurling skills will begin with Liam, the new GPO in Naomh Barróg, this month. With the weather improving, hopefully the children will be able to go to Naomh Barróg for some of their hurling skills development.

Fourth Class > - Tennis lessons with Dan will start for Room 11 & Room 12 at Trackside Tennis Club this month.

Fifth Class 🚴 - The Cycle Right Programme continues on Wednesday's with Eoin. A reminder that Fifth class children are encouraged to bring their own bike and helmet





Sixth Class - Basketball News



Our basketball teams have been training hard under the guidance of their coaches Ms. Sharkey and Mr. Donnelly. In April we hosted St. Marnock's for a match for the boys' team. They came out on top with a winning score of 41 -20 in a fantastic display of basketball - Go team! There was great support for the boys in the hall which no doubt spurred them on to victory. Our girls' team has a match scheduled for 20th May versus St Marnock's.

The Bayside SNS Tennis Team will be taking part in the Peninsula Cup in Sutton Lawn Tennis Club versus other local schools. The date is to be confirmed for late May or early June.

The Bayside SNS Athletics Team travelled to ALSAA for Fingal Finals Day on 24th April. It was a great day of running. We had a successful day with plenty of top five finishers. Go team Bayside!

Camogie and Hurling teams

Our camogie team played and won their match against Scoil Mobhi in Glasnevin on Tuesday, 23rd April. Our hurling team played in Naomh Barróg on Thursday, 25th April against St Helen's. They played extremely well and won by three points.





REMINDER: team players should wear their school tracksuits to school on days that they are representing the school at sporting events. School jerseys are provided for relevant competitive events.

Great Generosity in Bayside!

Many thanks for all your generosity and support of the recent Trócaire box collection. A fantastic total of €1525.41 was donated by our school community.

One of our 5th class pupils also recently donated her hair to the Little Princess Trust and all the money she collected went to the Lauralynn Children's Hospice. She donated 12 inches of her hair in two plaits and managed to collect an amazing €355 for Lauralynn. Well done!





Sacrament News

Confirmation candidates from our 6th classes will receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Friday 24th May at 11am in the Church of the Resurrection, Bayside. The Service of Light will take place at the start of the Mass, so please bring your child's baptismal candle with you. If you can't find it, any plain white candle will suffice. Thank you to the school staff who are preparing the children for Confirmation and the parish team for all their support. A letter with all the final details will be sent to 6th class parents very shortly.

Many thanks to Ms. Guiney for preparing the Confirmation choir which we know will greatly enhance the celebration. We are very grateful to the parish organist Marie Murphy who will accompany the choir in the church. Pupils taking part in the school choir will need to wear full school uniform for the ceremonies. They will be accompanied to the church by school staff.

Class photographs will be taken in the hall **on Monday 27th May** so we would ask that all 6th class pupils come in dressed to impress on that day, as we would like everyone included in the photos.

We are working on arrangements for our 6th class graduation. We will be in touch with dates and times as soon as they are finalised. Thanks to PABS who are also working with us to celebrate our wonderful 6th class pupils as they prepare to move on to secondary school. They provided lovely hoodies for our pupils to wear during the last term in school.



¡Olé!

Spanish language lessons have begun with gusto in Room 4 as part of the Languages Connect pilot programme for Primary schools. The children are enjoying learning about the Spanish language and culture.



Social Personal and Health Education/Wellbeing (SPHE)

We are busy planning for a *Positive Action Week* (*May 13th*) that will include a <u>Grandparent/Seniors Day</u>, on Friday 17th!

We look forward to highlighting our Bayside Healthy Eating Policy and the general guidelines for eating healthily for life during **Healthy Eating Week** (May 27th - May 31st).

We will also roll out our RSE (Relationships and Sexuality Education) over the next term. Please note the following:

Keep a look out for the Busy Body Booklets and The Big Talk Booklets in your child's bag. These are used by parents as an aid to talk to their child about relationships. Teachers will send out an explanatory email before they are sent home. We find that pupils who are given an opportunity to discuss these issues with their parents at home before it is taught in school have a better experience engaging with the material in school.

Here are some useful links -

Parental Guidance Doc:

https://www.pdst.ie/sites/default/files/RSE%20in%20Primary%20School%20Parent%20Tips.pdf

The Busy Bodies Booklet:

https://www.sexualwellbeing.ie/for-parents/busy-bodies-english-language.pdf

The Busy Bodies Workbook:

https://www.pdst.ie/sites/default/files/PDST%20Busy%20 Bodies%20Workbook Final.pdf

Making The Big Talk Many Small Talks:

https://www.pdst.ie/sites/default/files/8-12%20year%20olds.pdf

Robotics workshops



Last Friday there was great excitement in the hall as all classes benefited from Robotics workshops thanks to the Steam_Academy. The pupils enjoyed an interactive presentation on robotics and emerging technologies and met the robot dog Prox!



North Dublin Spelling Bee



Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths(STEM)

We have been successful in securing a free Seashore Safari funded by the Dept of the Marine Ms. Kiely's 4th class are looking forward to heading off on their expedition this Wednesday 1st May. They will start off with a talk from Mona McCrea from Seashorekids and then they will travel by bus to Burrow Beach in Sutton for their Seashore Safari. We can't wait to hear all about their adventures!

Bull Island Project Competition:

A competition will be launched again this May to prepare the pupils who are going on Science Field Trips to Bull Island/ Burrow Beach.

There will be prizes for each standard!!!!! The aim of the competition is to get our pupils to explore the Geography, Flora and Fauna of one of the world's most unique Biospheres with their class.

We have lots of links available for chromebook projects on our STEM Google Classroom and also at https://www.dublinbaybiosphere.ie/

Spelling Bee Superstar!

We are very proud of our School Spelling Bee champion, Joseph, who recently represented our school in the North County Finals in Sutton Park school. He was the runner up overall and won a Kindle. What an amazing achievement!

Green School News

Courtyard Progress

We are delighted that the front courtyard has now been cleared and painted and we are excited to see what happens next to this space.

Rules Reminders

Rules in our school are designed to keep everyone safe and maximise learning for our pupils. Our *Internet Acceptable Use Policy* states that: **Pupils are not allowed to bring personal internet-enabled devices into Bayside SNS**. Could you please ensure that your child does not bring an internet-enabled device into school (for example: tablets, gaming devices, smart watches and digital music players). If you have chosen to give your child a phone, it must be switched off (not on silent or do not disturb) at all times while on school premises and must remain in the pupil's schoolbag. If a student is found in possession of a phone during school hours, the phone will be confiscated and will have to be collected from the office.

We have children with serious food allergies across every level in our school. <u>Please do not send in any food containing nuts at any time.</u>

Correct school uniform should be worn at all times. Black leggings with the school tracksuit top are not acceptable.

Dates for your Diary

- The school will close for the May bank holiday on *Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th May.*
- There will be no school for pupils on *Thursday 9th May* as we have been instructed to close by the Department of



Education, to facilitate mandatory staff training, in the new Primary Maths Curriculum.

- Confirmation *at 11am Friday 24th May* in the Church of the Resurrection, Bayside. Class photographs *Monday 27th May* in school.
- The school has been requisitioned for use as a Polling Station by the Returning Officer on *Friday 7th June* so we are now required to close on that day.

