

Mass Attendance in Our Lady of Lourdes, Grange:

Date	Class	Time
07/04/16	P3/4	9.30am
14/04/16	P5/6	9.30am
21/04/16	P2/3	9.30am
28/04/16	P1	9.30am
05/05/16	P6/7	9.30am
14/05/16	Whole School Mass	9.30am

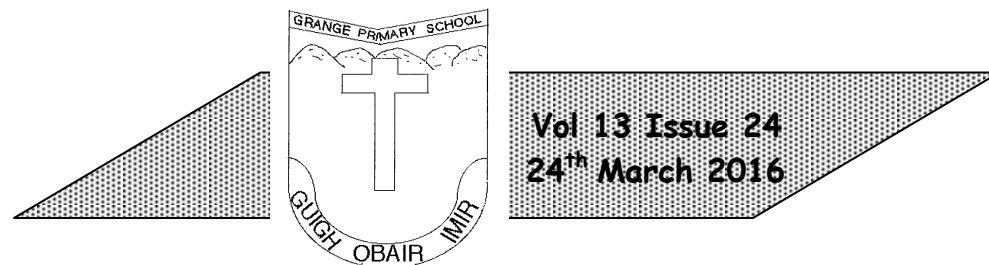
Upcoming dates for the Diary:

Date:	Activity
Thurs 24 th March	School closes at 12.00pm for Easter break
Mon 4 th April	School reopens after Easter break for all pupils.
Mon 4 th April	Meeting of Friends of Grange 7.00pm

Kingdom/An Ríocht activities:

Friday 25 March 6.30pm P5/P6 Football; NO Movie tonight
 Saturday 26 March 11am P1/P2 Football; 12pm P3/P4 Football
 Tuesday 29 March 6.30pm U12 Football
 Wednesday 30 March 6.15pm U6/U8 Camogie; 7.15pm U10/U12 Camogie
 Friday 1 April 6.30pm P5/P6 Football; 7.30pm Tonight's Movie is Alvin & the Chipmunks Road Chip
 Saturday 2 April 11am P1/P2 Football; 12pm P3/P4 Football
 Sunday 3 April 11am U12 Football v Saval
 Tuesday 5 April 6.30pm U12 Football
 Wednesday 6 April 6.15pm U6/U8 Camogie; 7.15pm U10/U12 Camogie

WE WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY AND PEACEFUL EASTER HOLIDAY.



Grange Newsletter



Here we have the children along with Danny, who all added greatly to our 'Green Day' celebrations.

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EASTER HOLIDAYS:

School closes tomorrow, Thursday at 12noon for the Easter break. There will be no dinners tomorrow. Rooney bus children will be transported home at 12.00pm and there will be no Ulsterbus service. School resumes again for all pupils for the third term on Monday 4th April.

Primary 5/6 Class Assembly:

Well done to the pupils in Mrs Digney's class who presented their assembly on Monday past relating to the theme of St. Patrick and Easter. 21st March.

Lent:

Each class continues to hold their weekly Lenten raffles for Trocaire. Pupils are encouraged to bring in items for the raffles and money each day to buy tickets for Friday's draw. We sincerely thank the children and staff who bring in Easter Eggs and items for the class raffles. Last week's total raised amounted to **£125.52 giving us a combined total NOW of £689.32 After Easter we will have our Friday Bun Sales and this money will also go towards our Lenten Efforts. Many thanks to all who have donated to our cause this year.**

Music at Warrenpoint Feis

Pupils from Primary 5-7 recently participated in the Music Section of Warrenpoint Feis by playing tin whistle. The girls had great success, being awarded medals and certificates in both their group and solo competitions. Shannon Trainor was awarded the 'George McSweeney Cup' for tin whistle solo in Primary Five. Everyone at the school is very proud of the girls' achievements! The Primary 1 children participated in the solo singing section, the boys and girls were excellent. By all accounts, there could have been a steward's inquiry in relation to the P6/7 group event. But a very BIG well done and we look forward to being entertained by our traditional musicians on Wednesday next.

Feis an Duin:

This year's competition takes place on **Saturday 9th April** in The Newcastle Centre.

Our School in the Parish:

The family of P4 pupil **Kiera Sloan** will participate during the Offertory at this Sunday's mass in Our Lady of Lourdes, Grange. On Sunday 3rd April the family of **Molly Sloan** will participate in the offertory. We ask that each family attending mass make their presence known to Kathleen Doran before mass commences on the day. If any families swop their dates, please notify Mrs Sloan, so she can update Fr. Dillon and Fr. Cahill prior to the date of the mass. Many thanks.

Green Day:

Our annual '**Green Day**' took place last week with all our pupils colourfully attired for the occasion. We were entertained through singing, poetry, dancing and tin whistle pieces. We congratulate all the pupils who shared their talent with us. We also thank Mr. Danny Mc Greevy, our traditional Music tutor, who joined us on the day.

Sacramental Services:

We look forward to celebrating, Holy Communion on **Saturday 7th** and Confirmation on **Monday 9th May.**

Eco-Schools Environmental Waste Event:

The focus of this month's campaign is WEEE. Children in every class took part in activities related to 'Waste Week'. Can your child tell you anything about WEEE?

NSPCC Parent Questionnaires and Consent Forms:

Today, ALL families were issued with new envelopes hopefully containing the appropriate 'Parent Questionnaire'. We thank those parents who received the correct form initially and have returned these. They do not need to complete the form again, but can simply dispose of today's envelope accordingly. We do ask that the parents issued with a new form today, that they complete the form and return to school in the enclosed envelope. We also ask that all parents return the Consent Form, giving permission for their child to complete their own 'Pupil Questionnaire' in school. We ask that **ALL** forms are returned at the beginning of the week we return after Easter. Many thanks.

Activsport:

Graham from Activsport visited school yesterday to provide 'Taster Sessions' for all our classes as an introduction to his afterschool club which will begin the week we come back to school.

A form went home with the children today proving full details of times, dates etc.. We ask that anyone interested in taking part in this club completes the form and returns it to school, **along with the £12 payment on Monday 4th April.** This will allow us to inform the organisers of numbers involved and coaches required.

Challenge Fund Work Begins:

With the good weather, work continues on the banked area, with all of our senior pupils and many of our Eco-committee rolling their sleeves up to carry out some of the necessary manual tasks required to make ready the area for planting. We will look to complete the next stage once we come back at the beginning of April.

Eco-Schools:

We continue our work with our Eco-schools initiatives. The pupils in **Primary 5/6** have responsibility for our bird boxes and there has been increased bird activity over the last few weeks. A way of helping out would be to bring in some bird seed or the 'fat balls' (our birds seem to have a taste for these).

Making contact with school:

As you will be aware, Mrs Murnion is employed in school between the hours of 9.00am -12.45pm. If a parent has a message they need to get to school, eg. in relation to collection of children at 2.00/2.45pm or another question, we ask that they do so during the office hours. There has been an increase in the number of calls made in the afternoon and this causes disruption to teaching in class.

School House Points:

Binnian: 10,630 Donard: 13,670 Knockchree: 12,915

The winning house will be announced at our first assembly of Term 3 with their reward following shortly afterwards.

