

St. Kilian's National School

Ní Neart Go Cur le Chéile

Imlitir 11 (Newsletter)

Mí Márta

Seachtain na Gaeilge ar Scoil

Bhí Céilí Mór le Rang a 4 agus Múinteoir Iníon Ní Chonchobhair ar scoil i rith na seachtaine.



Bhíomar go léir ag ceiliúradh Seachtain na Gaeilge ar scoil i rith na seachtaine seo, ceann de bhuaicphointí sa bhlian scoile. Is seachtain álainn í ina ghlacann an scoil go léir páirt i gnéithe airithe dár gcultúr, cheol, damhsa, drámaíocht, spóirt agus litríocht san áireamh. Cuirtear imeachtaí éagsúla agus gníomhachtaí ar leith ar fáil do chuile rang i rith na seachtaine.

Is í An Chéilí ceann de na ghníomhaíochtaí is mó don seachtaine gan aon dabht! Bhain Rang a 4 an sult as an gcleachtadh na hamhráiníochta, dramaíochta agus rincí don Céilí agus bhain a dtuismitheoirí an taitneamh as freisin.

Bhí Lá Glas again ar scoil ar An Aoine. Fuair gach dalta 'treat' ón Horse Whisperer'. Míle buíochas dár gComhairle Scoile agus do Regina agus Stephanie sa Horse Whisperer agus do gach duine a ghlac páirt sa Lá Mufti. Maith sibh!

Ár gComhairle Scoile. **Lá Glas Treat**. Our Comhairle Scoile sponsored a visit to our school by The Horse Whisperer. All pupils and staff were treated to a hot drink and a

treat using the money raised by the student body through a recent Mufti-Day. This visit was to thank the pupils and staff for all their hard work over these past few months. We have seen improvements in punctuality and attendance this term.

We would like to thank Regina and Stephanie who looked after us all so well on our Lá Glas. Go raibh míle maith agaibh!

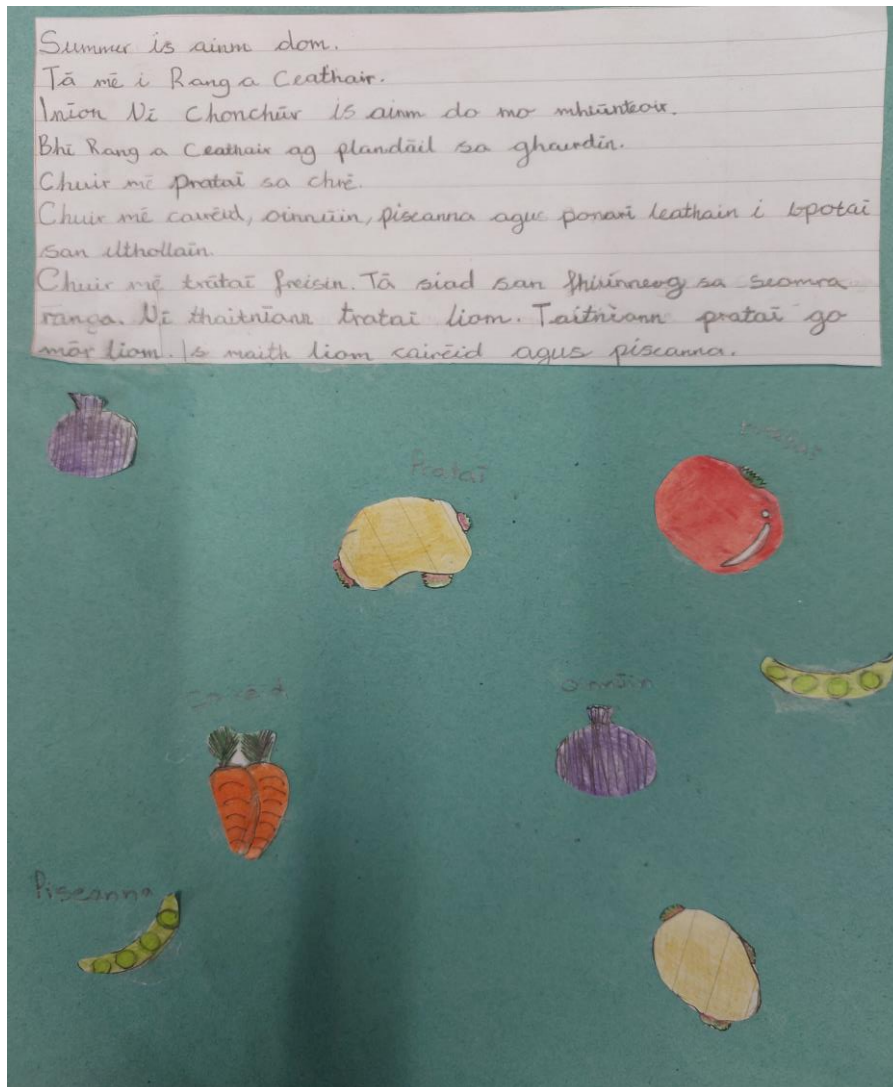


The lads enjoyed a well-earned 'cuppa'.

Hot School Lunches.

We had hoped to commence our hot school lunches when we returned to school after Easter, however we are not quite ready. We hope to have a commencement date when we return in April.

4th Class Planting The boys and girls in Ms. O'Connor and Mr. Maher's 4th Classes planted lots of seeds in the polytunnel and garden this week. They did all the work 'as Gaeilge', for Seachtain na Gaeilge and then wrote an account below of what they did. Isn't the handwriting beautiful? Well done!



Summer Casserly wrote all about the gardening 'as Gaeilge'.

Parents' Assoc. Easter Eggs Raffle 2024.



Easter Egg Winners. Well done all!

Thank you to all who supported the Parents' Assoc. Easter Egg Raffle. This raffle was very well supported by our families and the funds raised will be spent very wisely and for the benefit of the children in the school. Elaine Flood Chairperson of the Parents' Assoc. conducted the draw today ably assisted by some of our pupils. The prize winners are pictured below.



Michael Joyce 1st Prize Winner with brother Tommy, keeping it in the family. Well done boys!

Whole School Evaluation Report

The school's [Whole School Evaluation Report](#) has now been published on the Department of Education's website and also on our school's website. The very comprehensive report is excellent and reflects the collective efforts and good work of our all our staff, pupils, parents. Board of Management and Parents' Association. Well done to all involved. Ar scáth a chéile a mhaireann na daoine!

Our School Website. Parents and pupils are encouraged to check out our website.

<http://www.stkiliansnsmullagh.ie>. Our Whole School Evaluation Report and Revised Parental Complaints Policy were uploaded on to it last week.

School Accounts. Our school accountant submitted our annual school accounts to the FSSU this week. This submission fulfils the financial reporting obligations of the Department of Education, the Charities Regulator, the Charities Act 2009 and the Central Statistics Office. A summary annual account is available for parents on request from Liz in the office.

Dates for your diary.

Dates	Closures
Mon 18th March	St. Patrick's Weekend
Fri 22 nd March to Mon 8 th April	Easter Holidays.
Fri 3 rd May and Mon 6 th May	Bank Holiday
Fri 31 st May and Monday 3 rd June	Bank Holiday Weekend
Tues 25 th June	Summer Holidays

Run for Funds will take place this year on Friday 14th June.

Board of Management Meeting, Summary Report to Parents (February).

Review and sign off on the annual accounts.	Accounts were presented as prepared by accountant Bernie Campbell. They had been distributed previously. The BOM signed off on the accounts and a summary report is now available for parents from the secretary's office.
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Parental Complaints Procedure (Revised)	The revised policy was ratified and is now posted for the school community on our website.
Enrolments 24/25	We are now projecting 332 pupils next September. We should therefore retain our 14 th mainstream teacher.
Job Sharing 24/25	Applications for job sharing for the forthcoming year were sanctioned.
Whole School Evaluation	This was distributed to members last week. It has now been published and is available on the school's website.
Class Allocation 24/24	Classes for next year were approved by the board.
SET Allocation 24/25	The Department of Education SET Allocation model consists of a unique educational profile that is created for each school and is underpinned by three pillars . Amendments have been made from the previous profiling of Gender Differentiation and Complex Needs Pillar 1: Enrolment Allocation Pillar 2: Educational Teaching Needs Profile Pillar 3: Educational Disadvantage <i>Our school now has 5 SET teachers for 24/25 which is a reduction of 0.5.</i>
School Ethos	i) Sacraments - upcoming dates. ii) Catholic Schools Week was celebrated during the first week of Feb. A beautiful ceremony was held in the Church. Grandparents were invited to school for a 'cuppa' and to meet some pupils and classes. iii) Ashes were distributed for Lent. Classes to attend 2 morning masses during Lent. iv) St. Brigid's crosses were made by classes. v) A staff gathering was held to remember our former teacher Eimear Gilroy on her first anniversary.

Uniform The following uniform must be worn by all pupils: A school tracksuit top, a navy tracksuit bottom, a polo shirt in red, white, blue or navy. **'Figure hugging' leggings are inappropriate for school.** Pupils should not wear unsuitable headgear, wristbands, jewellery, fake nails etc. Children need to be dressed

appropriately for a primary school setting, able to play in the yard, take part in PE activities, dance etc... **There will be a full uniform check next week. Reminder cards will be issued for non-compliance.**

Attendance: We are anxious that parents be aware of the absolute necessity for regular, punctual attendance at school and that we all work together to improve this area. We are currently tracking those pupils who continually leave early especially on a Friday!

The New Primary School Curriculum.

The primary school curriculum is undergoing radical changes presently. The current curriculum which is now 25 years old no longer meets the needs of the 21st Century pupil. A new Primary Language Curriculum has already been introduced and a new Primary Maths Curriculum is presently being introduced. Over the coming years primary school pupils will spend more time learning foreign languages and STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths). They will experience a broader arts curriculum including dance and creative media and there will also be a greater emphasis on 'wellbeing' - that is social, personal and health education and PE. The amount of time allocated to the teaching of religion and Irish will reduce. The process of rolling out the curriculum in full is likely to take several years.

Teaching and Learning at Home. Growth Mindset Message. I support and encourage other learners. We learn so much from each other. We should always be open to helping and working with others. The teacher learns so much from helping and encouraging other learners.

Téama: An Teilifís

An maith leat (na Simpsons)? Is maith liom/ Ní maith liom Is breá liom/ Is fuath liom... na Simpsons.

**An n-imríonn tú cluichí ríomhaire? Imrím/ Ní Imrím
Cén _____ is fearr leat? Is fearr liom_____ . (prefer)**

An dtaitníonn ____ liom? Taitníonn ____ go mór liom.

Línte Gníomhaíochta. We do exercises 'as Gaeilge' every day at school. Our Irish and our fitness are improving - even the teachers! Here's one to practice at home. Your child should be able to help.

Preabaigí ar leathchois, ar dheis ar dtús, **anois ar chlé.**



Hop on one foot!

Community News

East Cavan Gaels Hurling Club.

U8/10/12/14/16/18;

After school hurling will continue in both Shercock and Mullagh until the Easter break.

U12/14/16 club training returns from Monday 7-8pm on the astro at Bailieboro Celtic AFC. New players are always very welcome.

Cavan U15 and U17 development squad training continues on Mondays at Kingspan Breffni 3G 6-7.10pm..

Cavan Children and Young People's Service - Child & Family Agency

All parents are invited to a Coffee Morning to discuss after school activities for young people in Mullagh. Have your say in St Killian's Heritage Centre. Drop in on Thursday 21st March, 9.15am to 12.30pm:

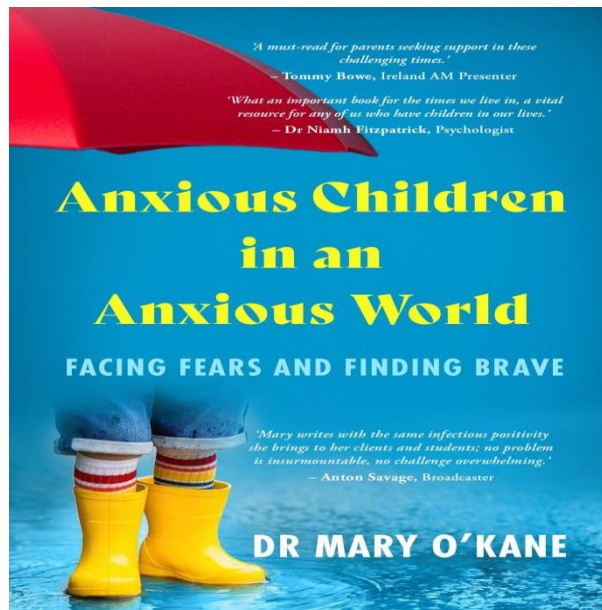
Coffee Morning..... Have your say!



Join us for a casual conversation about current events and share your thoughts on Mullagh

- What is working well?
- What is needed?
- What activities are missing?

Thursday 21st March
9.15am to 12pm
St Killian's Heritage Centre



Sometimes our job is to protect our children from the rain,
To be the umbrella providing shelter.
But, more often, our job is to remind them
That they are brave enough to withstand stormy weather.'
The official Launch Date is Monday 8th April, but pre-orders for anyone based in
Ireland (North and South) are available now at:

<https://www.buythebook.ie/anxious-children-in-an-anxious-world>

Boys & Girls
Age 7-17



**CALLING ALL
JUVENILES**



**COME AND TRY
ATHLETICS**

Kells AC Juvenile Training

Wednesdays at 7pm (starting April 3rd)

Contact Club Registrar Tracey Corcoran
for further info on: 086 3746320