

St. Finian's Newsletter

06/02/2024



Grandparents' Day 2024 Catholic Schools' Week

Last week we had a lovely week. On Monday Fifth and Sixth class baked some treats for our grandparents. These were served on Grandparents' Day. On Tuesday Third and Fourth Class made St. Brigid's Crosses. They made one for each family in the school. Unfortunately, we had no grandparent helpers this year but Mr. McKenna, Ms. Whyte, Suzanne and myself helped to ensure that we everyone made at least one and we had enough for all the families in the school. On Wednesday we had a great turn out of grandparents. It was lovely to welcome everyone. Grandparents went to a room of their choice where each class had lots of questions to ask them about their own school days. It was great to learn about how different school was in the past. Grandparents were then treated to a cup of tea or coffee and some of the lovely treats which Fifth and Sixth Class had made. Thank you to our parents and SNAs who came in to help with the teas and coffees, Zoe, Nikki, Tracey, Justine and Suzanne. On Thursday Third and Fourth class attended mass in St. Finian's Church for St. Brigid's Day. The crosses they had made were blessed by Fr. Paddy. The children took part in the Liturgy, reading, singing and bringing up the gifts. Fifth/Sixth Class attended a celebration of music and dance in the Redeemer Church, Dundalk celebrated by Archbishop Eamon Martin and Bishop Michael Router on Thursday 25th January as part of Catholic Schools' week. It was a lovely occasion and the children really enjoyed it. Toghher Parish paid for 50% of the bus costs and made a donation on behalf of the schools.

First Communion Enrolment Ceremony

The Pastoral Council will be hosting an Enrolment Ceremony for the children who will be receiving their First Holy Communion this year. The children and their families are invited to attend mass on Sunday 18th February at 11:30am in St. Finian's Church, Dillonstown.

School Closures Reminder

School will be closed on Thursday 15th and Friday 16th February for midterm.

Amber Flag

Healthy Eating

As part of our Well Being Programme we will be focusing on Healthy Eating. You can find a link to our [Healthy Eating Policy](#) on the school website. We encourage everyone to have a piece of fruit for first break. For second break children should have a sandwich/roll/wrap and a bottle of water. Remember avoid prepacked processed food. On Fridays children may bring in a small treat. The treat should fit in the palm of their hand. This [website](#) has some great advice for families.

St. Finian's School Fundraiser Lotto

Jackpot increases weekly up to **€2,000**

First Draw
10th Feb. 2022
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