

Mercy Primary Newsletter April 2024



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Coming in May

First Communion Saturday May 18th
12noon

Junior Infants



Incoming Junior Infants
2024 Induction
afternoons
May 28th & 29th
1:45pm - 2:30pm

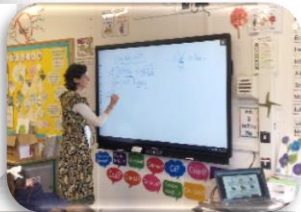
School will be closed on June 7th as the school will be used as a polling station for the Local and European Elections.

Dear parents and guardians,

We had lots of smiling faces when we welcomed all our children back on April 8th and have had a great start to term 3. The Hot meals initiative is running well. We warmly welcomed teachers from Spain and Slovenia as part of our Erasmus programme. The Spanish and Slovenian teachers were enthused by our fantastic children and were most impressed by our school standards. Our talented school choir conducted by Ms. MacNerney and Ms. Donnan performed at the official Naas Library opening on April 15th.

The Letter of Intent to complete our new campus was issued. We welcomed our Spanish Tutor, Aisling back for our third year of Spanish as part of the 'Say Yes to languages'. We finished off with County photos last week and look forward to the class photos in June. We achieved a lot and there is a lot to look forward to in the months ahead. Slán.

Cathal Ruane



We're into our third year of the 'Say Yes To Languages' Initiative and were delighted to welcome our Spanish tutor, Aisling for eight weeks in term 3. Classes from third to sixth will each receive eight Spanish lessons this term.



On Monday, April 15th our school choir performed in the Naas Library as part of the official opening. The girls sang beautifully and were thrilled to be invited. Sincere thanks to Ms. Donnan and Ms. MacNerney for preparing the girls.

Our classes are all excited about the arrival of **Punchestown racing festival** this week! They got very creative designing jerseys and dresses!



New School Building – Restarted

We received great news on April 17th when the letter of Intent was issued to complete the new school campus. We're looking forward to seeing the contractors back on site later this month.



SUMMER CLOTHES COLLECTION

WEDNESDAY 5TH JUNE

Bags of clothes can be dropped to the school on Tuesday evening 4th June from 6pm to 8pm

WE ACCEPT

- Adults clothes
- Children's clothes
- Pairs of shoes
- Hats/Scarves
- Belts/ties
- Soft Toys

WE CAN'T ACCEPT

- End of line clothing
- Bedding
- Pillows
- Towels
- Phones/tablets

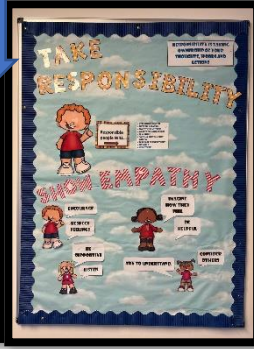
Parents Association

Our Parents Association would like to thank all families that contributed so generously to the Easter Dress Up and 'Guess how many eggs are in the jar'. **€614** was raised and this will be used on future events for the children throughout the school. The PA are actively planning fun activities with the proceeds. The PA Summer clothes collection is on Wednesday June 5th. Bags may be dropped the evening before, Tuesday June 4th, from 6pm – 8pm. The PA would love parent representatives from the 4th, 5th and 6th classes. Come along to the next meeting here in school, **May 30th at 8pm.**



Our Mercy Values for the month of April was all about encouraging **Responsibility** and **Empathy**.

Congratulations to Bláthnaid who represented our school in the Spelling Bee County final this month. The standard was exceptionally high and whilst Bláthnaid didn't win, we're very proud of her sterling efforts.



Funded by the European Union

As part of our **Erasmus** programme we welcomed Marisol, Maria and Anabel from Calamocha, Spain, to our school from April 8th to April 12th, and Klara, Lara and Elvira from Ljubljana, Slovenia, from April 15th to April 19th. The teachers enjoyed participating with in station teaching and talking to our student council as well as soaking up the interesting places to visit. Our teachers are looking forward to visiting their countries returning new ideas relating to learning through play as this is the focus of our Erasmus project this year.



School Sports

Congratulations to our footballers who were victorious against the Presentation school in Maynooth last Wednesday. They're now through to the semi-final in two weeks and we're delighted to have it as a home game. Our fifth and sixth class girls are really enjoying the rugby coaching from Michal, a member of the Leinster Rugby coaching team also. Next month we'll start our training for our annual fun run in June.