

# Nuacht ó Gharrán Mhuire



Dates for  
the Diary:

**Date for your Diary**  
**Academic Year 2025/26**  
**School will reopen on**  
**Thursday 28 August**  
**2025**

## Aibreán

As we wrap up a busy and rewarding Term 2, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our whole school community — staff, pupils, and parents — for your continued support, hard work, and positivity.

This term has been full of energy, learning, and memorable moments. From classroom projects and school events to rehearsals, matches, concerts and dress-up days — there has been a wonderful buzz throughout the school. We hope that our newsletter gives you a flavour of this. Looking ahead to Term 3, there's lots to be excited about — Confirmations, Communion, Grove Vision, school tours, Sports Days, soccer tournaments, and continued participation in Cumann na mBunscol competitions in camogie, hurling, and athletics. Not forgetting graduation! It's a big term for our 6th Class pupils, who will be finishing an important chapter in their lives after eight years in the Grove. We look forward to another fun-filled, active term together!

Wishing you all a safe and restful break.

Beannachtaí na Cásca oraibh go léir.

Warm regards,

JoAnna Mc Dowell

### Tiny Tony – Our School Pet

Today is world pet day and I am sure you all know who our school pet is...Tiny Tony, the Hermann Tortoise. Tony came into our school about a year and two months ago. We love having him/her in our school just beside the office. Tiny Tony will be in the school longer than all of us since he can live for 50-100 years. Tiny Tony is lucky to have a great team looking after him. His favourite food is purple lettuce, and he loves having baths each week.

**Mellisa Rm 15**

**Captain of the Tiny Tony Team (TTT)**



**Beannachtaí Cásca oraibh go léir!**



# Nuacht ó gCoiste na nDaltaí

## National Children's Choir

On March 27th, 5th and 6th class, went to the Basketball Arena in Tallaght for our National Children's Choir performance. It was lovely and the songs were so nice. We had worked hard over the last few months learning and practicing the songs. We really enjoyed singing them. It was so nice to see all the parents and grandparents there in the audience. We are sure they loved seeing us sing. There were a lot of different schools there as well. Our conductor was Ms Orla Ryan. It was about 2 hours long.

**-Imogen & Rory R14**



## Spelling Bee

On Wednesday the 2nd of April we had our school Spelling Bee. Each 5th and 6th class had a class Spelling Bee. Five people from each class went forward to compete in the school Spelling Bee. There were easy, medium and hard words to spell. Everyone tried their best, well done! Lucy Glennon from 6th will represent OLG in Leinster Spelling Bee later in the year.

## -Isobel R13



## Cumann na Mbunscol


The boys and girls from 4th – 6th class have been training and playing friendly matches in hurling/camogie. Training is every week with Teachers and Parents coaching. This week we played our first League matches, and both are off to a great start. We look forward to more matches after the Easter break.

## -Cian & Viola R12



## Science Fair Secondary School

Last Friday April 4th 3rd class went to the Science Fair in the Secondary School, and boy was it good! It was really exciting! We got to see projects the students had been working on and to do experiments up-stairs in the Science laboratory. We learned lots of great facts! We



learned that magnesium burns at around 1,500°C. Also, that music doesn't help with your homework because this is considered multi-tasking, so that means you're only half doing your homework! Other projects included the influence of social media, and some students tried to give it up for 2 weeks. We really enjoyed the Science Fair, and all received certificates for our participation.

**-Emma, Max, Cian & Cara 3rd class**





## Leinster Hockey Finals

On Monday March 31st, the girl's 6th class hockey team played in the Leinster Final in Three Rock Hockey Club. On the day of the final the team were very excited but also very nervous. They were in school at the normal time, and at 10 am headed to Three Rock on a private bus with their coaches. Once at Three Rock they did some warm-ups. We started the game and in the first half we scored 3 goals. In the second half the other team got 2 goals and so did we. It was a great win by 3 goals. Each player got a medal and a team trophy, which we have on display in our school. They all went to Eddies Rockets to celebrate. It was a great day!

**-Zahran R15**

Two weeks ago, the 6th class boy's hockey team competed in the Leinster Final. It took place in Three Rock Hockey Club at 10:00. The boys rode in a mini-bus and got there about 9:30. We did a quick warm-up before walking on to the pitch. The boys started with a quick goal followed by an equaliser by Rathgar Junior school. Both teams were defending brilliantly until OLG got the ball and a shot that went in. In the last minute OLG got the ball again & slotted it in, 3-1! Everyone was delighted especially the team who went to celebrate in Eddie Rockets.

**-Patrick R16**

## Supporters

On Wednesday March 26th 4th class went to support the boy's hockey team in the Leinster Final in Three Rock Hockey Club. We all made posters and cheered them on. They were amazing and it was a great experience! Thanks to 6th class and their coaches.

**-Fiadh & Ethan R11**





# Nuacht ó gCoiste na nDaltaí

## Fighting Words Workshop

6th class attended a Fighting words workshop in March. We took the Luas to Dawson St.; we walked through the Trinity campus to get to the workshop. When we arrived our first activity was to say if we could be any object what object would we be and why? Some people said pencil, some said bed, it was very funny! For our next activity we made a story as a whole class. We did this with by sharing our ideas for a main character, a villain, a problem and the characters fear. We then took a vote on all our ideas. After lunch some people shared their stories, they were very interesting and some were very funny. We all enjoyed our day and thought it was a great experience. You can read some stories that our class and other classes have written on their website.

**-Valentina R16**

## Show Racism the Red Card

March 21st was Wear Red Day 2025. We Wear Red for the day to send out a strong message that we as community in our school welcome diversity, celebrate it, and take a stand against racism in all forms.

