juacht ó Gharrán Mhuire

Parent/Teacher Meetings will take place in Jan/Feb 2021

Míle Buíochas



The teachers, staff and BoM wish to extend a huge thank you to parents and children for the level of co-operation and support you have given to the teachers and staff. It has been a very rewarding eight weeks and we all agree that it is

great to have the children back in school.



We hope you enjoy the mid-term by doing all those lovely things you did with family during the summer; walking, hiking, reading, biking & baking. We want everyone to stay safe and healthy and we look forward

to seeing you again on Monday, 2nd November. *Ni Neart Go Cur Le Chéile*

Team Hope's Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Our school is supporting Team Hope's Christmas Shoebox Appeal. It is an opportunity where children in Ireland share a little joy with children affected by poverty in Africa or Eastern Europe by donating shoeboxes filled with gifts.



Visit <u>www.TeamHope.ie</u> to read their stories.

Due to the effects of Covid-19 restrictions, the Christmas Shoebox Appeal has gone online.

To make a virtual box of your own with your child visit www.TeamHope.ie

Donations towards items for shoeboxes are gratefully received.

Enjoy some photos from our wonderful 1st Term







Garda Visit to our 5th Classes



On Thursday 15th October our two fifth classes had a visit from our local Garda Sergeant, Ivan Howlin. We assembled outside in our pods where Sergeant Howlin spoke to us about his work and showed us his uniform. He gave us his definition of the word *integrity* which is 'doing the right thing even when no one is watching'.

We discussed the importance of social distancing and keeping safe especially during Halloween. We look forward to Garda Howlin coming back for another visit soon.





We hope our families enjoy the mid-term break and that all the children have a Happy & Safe Halloween!!

Ar scáth a chéile a mhairimid

On Friday, 2 October, Our Lady's Grove Primary School was the first school in DLRCC to host an



'In-House Blitz' to reward the students for an excellent number of weeks working together. It was a great way for Leinster Rugby Community Staff to see how far all the

students have progressed and grown in the game of touch rugby. The 'In-House Blitz' was attended by over 110 boys and girls from 5th and 6th Class. Each class had its own pitch to play on, to stay in line with the school's safety procedures. A huge thank you to Mr O'Flaherty for taking charge of one of the pitches and for providing excellent support over the course of the programme. The cheers from the side line gave the players on the pitch a boost with everyone getting the chance to show what they were able to do with a rugby ball in hand. We thank Andrew Egan (Old Wesley RFC CCRO), Leinster Rugby Community Staff, for all his hard work and dedication.

See https://www.leinsterrugby.ie/leinster-rugby-

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GAA commenced last week for the first time this year. We are very grateful to Mr. Dooley for facilitating the children on the Hockey pitch

We rolled out our mobile libraries to classes



last week. 3rd to 6th Classes have received their books and we are hoping to get libraries to the junior classes next week. It will be great to have the children

reading and doing AR quizzes again. We have also put in an order for new books from Scholastic, using money that we received from the last book fair. These will be distributed to the classrooms after mid-term