



Nuacht ó Gharrán Mhuire

APRIL 2025

A Few Words from our Principal

As we come to the end of another busy and memorable term, we hope you enjoy looking back on the wide range of activities and experiences that have taken place across the school. My sincere thanks to our dedicated staff, enthusiastic pupils, supportive parents, and everyone who contributed in so many ways to making it all happen. We are already looking ahead to an exciting summer term, with plenty to anticipate – athletics, football finals, sports days, school tours, and, fingers crossed, a bit of sunshine.

In the meantime, I wish you all a very happy and restful break spent with family and friends. Hopefully, the rain will stay away and the Easter Bunny will find you!

Le gach dea-ghuí agus Beannachtaí na Cásca oraibh!

JoAnna McDowell

REMINDERS

Monday 13 April

3rd Term – School re-opens

1st & 2nd Class Swimming

Resumes 14/04 & 16/04

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 4 May –

Bank /Public Holiday – School Closed

Friday 8 May –

Confirmation Ceremony

Week of 18 May –

Drumcondra Testing

Saturday 23 May –

First Holy Communion Ceremony

[County Photos – Mon 25 May]

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Nuacht ó gCoiste na Daltaí



Campus Safety Week

On Campus Safety Week each day before school our Student Council and numerous parent volunteers were on campus in Hi-Vis vests to guide people in following our safety rules. For example, to dismount their bikes, not park in certain places, and to go around both roundabouts. For our Assembly on Monday the Student Council spoke & reminded all the children about how we stay safe when coming and going to school. We were delighted to have our Lollipop person Michael to visit & speak to us all too. The Gardaí were on campus to help us & also visited classes in school to speak about road safety.

By Éanna R15

Glasnevin Cemetery

6th class went on a school trip to Glasnevin Cemetery to learn about Irish history. Room 15 and 16 had been learning about Glasnevin and everyone buried there in the weeks leading up to the trip. At Glasnevin there was a guide that helped the class around the cemetery and organised a fun quiz at the end. While there, 6th class visited the graves of Daniel O'Connell, Eamon de Valera, Stuart Parnell and many others. Overall, it was a very interesting, fun and exciting day.

By Valeria R15

World Book Day

"What a day" World book day was so fun! We had our one school one book; the book was Milo Imagines the World. We had book tastings and more fun activities. Hooray for World Book Day!

By Charley and Daniel R10



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ESB Science Blast

This month R13 went to the ESB Science Blast in the RDS, it was fun. Our project was 'Does exercise affect our sleep'. We did loads of work to find that people who exercise before bed fell asleep quicker and were more energised for the day. We explored the area with all the science projects made by hundreds of schools. We made fun discoveries with Mark the science guy and two other scientists. We came back from the day very happy.

By Archie and Samhain R13



Primary Science Fair

The Primary Science Fair was a great experience. The best part about it all was making our own project with our classmates. We made a project about the 'Science of the Playground'. While we were there, we took turns presenting the project and when it was not our turn to present, we got to see all the other fantastic presentations by other primary and secondary schools. Overall, it was an excellent experience, with some prizes. We would recommend going to the Fair in 2027.

By Freya and Michael R14

National Art Gallery

The National Art Gallery trip for 6th class was great fun. We went on the LUAS into town. We split into two groups. We had a guided tour of the gallery. We saw paintings and sculptures; it was very interesting. The guide told us about the artists, and we got to ask questions. We all had lots of different ideas as to why the artist painted what they did.

By Maia and Loughlin R16



Cybersafe Talks

On 20/03/26 we got a cybersafe talk from Aoife. She told us about how to be safe online, how to make a password and what is for our age.

By Lauren and Liam R12

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Kindness

First, the student council gave every class kindness slips. Then each one of those classes wrote someone's name down on the slips—someone that they thought was being kind on yard. The junior and senior infant classes drew a picture, and the rest of the classes wrote on the slip. You would write a name at the top, that was who you thought was being kind. Under that said reason and that was the reason they were being kind. Then we had a kindness raffle. Ms. Flanagan read out some on the reasons people put down on the kindness slips here are some examples:

- They helped pick up the snakes and ladders.
- She included me in her game.
- It was only a game for three, but they made it work for four.
- She carried the equipment inside without being asked.

After Ms. Flanagan read out the reasons, Ms. McDowell read out some people's names. People who were picked out of the raffle got a prize.

By Eloise and Ciarán R11



Seachtain na Gaeilge

On the first week of Seachtain na Gaeilge all the classrooms had slots in the halla to practice Irish dancing for the next week. At the end of the week, we had bingo in Irish, the theme was bia with words such as: bainne, uisce, sú oráiste. Most classrooms learnt more Irish. It was a fun time for all. On Thursday a school band came and played lots of Irish music.

On the second week we did more Irish. The whole school did a concert as gaeilge. In the concert every class from Room.1 to Room.16 got a chance to do a performance, the student council got to announce the classes in Irish. After that, everyone in the school got to wear green and did a céilí mór. It was so fun and I can't wait for next year.

By Nathan and Irie R9

National Cerebral Palsy Awareness Day 2026

On Wednesday, 25 March we all wore green! This day helps to raise awareness and promote understanding of cerebral palsy. Thank you for your support in helping us raise awareness in our school community.