

Easter Newsletter 2016

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all your help since mid-term, here are some updates on the activities that are happening in the school.

- Well done to Audrey, Fionn and Ernestes from Pamela's class who took part in the Analog Robotics county finals over mid-term and thank you to all the parents who travelled to the event on a Saturday.
- The boys from fourth to sixth had a great day recently at the FAI Limerick 5 a side blitz in the Sean Choill Complex. We had two squads taking part and both did very well, keep it up boys!
- Pamela's class travelled to the University of Limerick recently and took part in a workshop "The Science of Dragons". It was really worthwhile.
- Fifth and sixth class would like to thank all who supported their chocolate sale as part of the Junior Entrepreneur Programme. Thanks to parents Anne, Robin and Trish for all their help. Part of the profits will be donated to Limerick Animal Welfare. Well done to all involved.
- Many thanks to Laura Collins who has completed five sessions on mindfulness with Maria's class.
- Well done to Jame's third class who performed their Traditional Irish dance Seainín for the senior classes as part of Seachtain na Gaeilge
- We had some lovely costumes as part of World Book Day when many of our students dressed up as their favourite character
- We had a lovely proclamation day. Thanks to all the staff and parents who worked to make it such a success.
- Thank you to our student council who did such a great job in re-imagining the proclamation for our school.
- Well done to our Parent's association for organizing such a successful table quiz. It was a great night and over €1100 was raised for resources for our children. Thanks to Alfies pub in Ballycummin village for hosting the quiz, supplying delicious finger food and sponsoring a generous prize. Please support them if you can.
- The parents Association have purchased the PA system used at our proclamation assembly, this will be used for drama, dance and PE lessons on the yard. Money will also be used to purchase a laptop charging trolley for our laptops.
- If you are interested in finding out more about the work of our PA please let Deirdre in reception know.
- Maria's class organized a very successful book exchange World Book Day. Thanks to all who took part.
- Maria's class also held a mad hatters tea party as part of World Book day.

- Paula's class travelled to O'Mahonys book store for World Book Day. The children had great fun and had face painting, colouring competitions, story time, treats and a goodie bag to take away with them.
Thanks to parents Samara and Monika for helping us out on the day
- Peter's Students are taking part in "The Garden Squad" initiative. They have planted; garden flowers, tomatoes, sweet peppers, chilli peppers, peas and plum trees
- Peter's students also took part in the Fairtrade poster competition. Thanks to our parents Eileen, Nuraini for attending the Fair trade event in the Limerick County hall along with their children Sam, Sarah and Aisyah
- Peter's students have been busy making charcoal in science, we will be using this in Art when it is ready.
- Well done to Ellen and Bernie's junior infant classes on their lovely St Patrick's day show
- Thank you to all our families who are making the voluntary contribution to our school. This money is vital in funding your child's education. Our costs remain very high and Money for the Government does not cover everything. We appeal to anybody who has **not** made a contribution to please do so.
- Ellen and The Green School Committee are organizing a School Spring cleanup on Friday 8th April. If you have the time we would love your help
- Well done to our students; Amy, Kate, Millie, Aimee, Jacob, Margherita and Gabriel who are on full attendance since the start of the year.
- Attendance is very important for your child, the school year is 183 days long. In order to help parents with keep track of attendance it is school policy to send out a reminder letter when a child has missed 15 days. When a child has missed 20 days we are obliged by law to pass this information to the Child and Welfare Agency and inform parents of this in writing.
- We are currently reviewing our attendance policy and the Parents Association will be assisting with this.
- Thanks to Nikki for helping out in the drop off area. Please remember the following:
 - It is a one-way system
 - Please do not park beside the entrance to the drop off area of near the mini roundabout
 - Drive slowly and with care
- Please go to our website for photos and more information on activities happening in the school. www.limerickeducatetogether.com

Once again thank you all for all your assistance during the term. We hope that you enjoy the Easter break and look forward to school re-opening on Monday 4th April

