



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear parents/guardians,

We have had a wonderful start to our year so far. Thank you to all of the school community for making my first month a very enjoyable one. I look forward to working very closely with everyone over the coming years.

We will have many different events happening over the coming months and I urge the parents to get involved where they can. As a quick update, our new school building is not quite ready yet and we have been told that it should be ready by the end of November.

The teachers are busy working on our School self-evaluation which is 'Spoken Irish', we are preparing for the choir Peace Proms and many teachers are running great after-school clubs. Congratulations to the boys GAA team on reaching the quarter finals - a great achievement!

## Dates to Remember:

- 10<sup>th</sup> October - School Photos
- 10<sup>th</sup> October - Positive Mental Health Day
- 13<sup>th</sup> October - Friendship week
- 25<sup>th</sup> October - PTA Cake Sale
- 25<sup>th</sup> October - Mid-term break

## BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

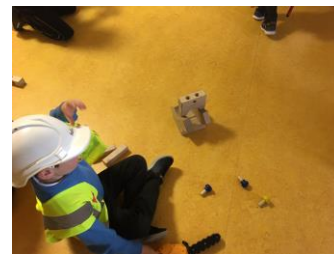
**A board of management meeting was held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2019 in the school. Two new members were welcomed, Mr. Byrne as principal and Ms. Broderick as the teacher nominee. Minutes from the meeting are available on the school website.**

## NEWS FROM THE CLASSES

### Junior Infants

**In junior infants they are learning about a lot of interesting things, like shapes, colours and numbers. They also won the Líne is Fearr. 'Líne is Fearr' award is for the best line in the school, they have also enjoyed learning about Irish. In the next month they will be getting some extra playtime and who does not love some extra playtime! I hope they have fun playing in extra playtime!**

### Senior Infants



In the past month, Senior Infants have been learning about different types of houses. They have also been learning about 2D and 3D shapes in maths.

The most interesting things the children have learnt in Senior Infants was about learning how to say 'Cé thusa?' meaning 'who are you?' in Gaeilge and talking about construction sites and buildings.

Next month, the children in Senior Infants will be learning about the five senses and the opticians.

In play time, the children in Senior Infants have been using building blocks, let's see what they make next!

## 1<sup>st</sup> Class

In the past month for 1st class, the excellent children have been learning about addition and how to add in maths. They have also been learning how to speak to each other as **Gaeilge** and say their days of the week in Irish.

Secondly, interesting things the 1st Class pupils have learned about is how to do art about the season Autumn and learn different types of trees across the country!

Lastly, the 1st Class have been looking and learning about the country India and traditions in other countries such as dressing up for Halloween.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Class

*In the past month children in 2nd class have been learning about lots of interesting things like in maths, they have been learning about rounding numbers. The students also learned about Italy and the volcanoes in Italy. They even learned a song called the Popacatapet. The students also learned some new songs in Irish. The most interesting thing that the children learned about was the Mona Lisa. The teacher even made the children walk around the classroom and wherever they were the Mona Lisa looked at them!*

## Staff Profile

### Ms. Karen Kelly

This month in are amazing newsletter one of our staff members has a whole section to themselves. I'm interviewing our wonderful secretary Karen Kelly. She helps students and staff when they need it. Karen is from Dublin. In her free time she loves walking and reading. Her favourite food is chicken maybe chicken wings. Her favourite drink is black tea and Diet Coke. Last summer Karen went on holiday to Florida and had a wonderful time.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Class

They have been doing recounts diary entries comprehensions and basketball in P.E they enjoyed learning about lightning and Irish days of the week. Next month they will be doing Irish drama.

The third class have also been working on the expectations that should be in the class. You can see Ms. Whelan's class' expectations here:



## 4<sup>th</sup> Class

In fourth they have been learning about body parts like your lungs and how smoking can harm them.



They also learned about maps, cities and they are also learning about biographies from people they look up to

## 5<sup>th</sup> Class

*In the past month 5th class has been learning about place value in Maths.*

*In English they were learning to recount - this is telling a story about themselves in the past tense.*

*Something interesting they have learnt is about Egypt and Tutankhamun. He became King at 9 years old.*

*They also learnt different recipes in Irish. Next month they will be doing projects on Egypt.*

*Also the yoga class will be going around the school teaching meditation to each class this month.*

## Our Newsletter Team

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## 6<sup>th</sup> Class

This month for our first incredible newsletter I will be giving you a little sneak peek of what one of our amazing teachers has been teaching 6th class room 15, and that teacher is Mr O'Brien.

Over the past month 6th class have been learning about maths multiplication grids, the digestive system and the rugby world cup. They have also been writing recounts and making projects on countries participating in the World cup.

Something interesting that 6th class learned is that if you pumped up your intestine it could be as long as their classroom! I haven't learned about it yet but I'd say learning about the digestive system is very interesting.

Another thing I asked 6th class was "Is there anything interesting happening in this class in the next month?" and they told me some very exciting news. On the 21st of October they are going to the Chester Beatty library! If you're wondering what that is; it's an incredible museum filled from top to bottom with lots of interesting things such as samurai armour and samurai swords and much more. I really hope they have a wonderful time. I wonder what they will learn about next and whatever it is I hope they enjoy learning about it!

## Parent's Association

The parent's association had their first meeting on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Many parents attended. The PTA have many events planned for the months to come including a bake sale, book fair and winter party.