### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear families,

We hope that the school year is going well for your children and your family. We have been very pleased with how safe our school community has been keeping and we hope this will continue, There has been a great improvement in the drop off times in the morning so I thank you for that.

Following on from the government announcement on Friday 27<sup>th</sup>, we would be highly recommending the wearing of face masks outside the school building at busy times of the day. This is to keep you and those around you safe.

In other news, we are hoping that the traffic lights outside the school will be operational in the next few weeks. We would encourage as many families as possible to cycle/walk to school, We have also written to the council in respect of a School Traffic Warden too.

This year, we are putting on our Winter Concerts with a difference, They will be done digitally in what we are calling our Winter Watch Party. This is to celebrate the end of the first term and what we have achieved together. More details will follow. I hope you enjoy the buildup over the next few weeks. Le meas, Mike.

### Dates to note:

7<sup>th</sup> December: Human Rights Week 22<sup>nd</sup> December: School closes for winter break on half day (details to follow)

### **BOARD OF MANAGEMENT**

The next board meeting will take place in the next few weeks

# Junior Infants

SOME NEWS FROM THE TEAM

Ms.Swan
Reporter Maddie Branning

Ms.Swans Junior Infants have been learning songs such as Old Mc.Donald had a farm and Ms.Polly had a dolly and in aistear they were using the doctor kit.

All the children in the class are looking forward to their winter concert and learning the words for fruit and veg in Irish. Also the children in the class that celebrate Christmas are looking forward to that. The kids are enjoying all the activities like Irish and sounds.

**EXCITING NEWS** 

Ms.Mc Guinness became a Nan! Congratulations.

Senior infants were doing how to make pizza. They were doing a very good job on maths blocks - they are really good at it. They will be looking for the Dublin zoo. I was looking at their work and it was so good.

They were enjoying Gaeilge.

They like Pokémon's play time and yard. 3 kids have their birthday in October they made Christmas trees.

IT WAS AMAZING.

BY. Simona klonowska.

FIRST CLASS DID A GOOD JOB
THEY WERE LEARNING ABOUT
WEATHER
WATER CYCLE AND CLOTHES
THEY ARE LOOKING FORWARD
TO LEARN SONGS FOR THE
WINTER CONCERT. THEY HAVE
BEEN MAKING OSTERS TO
SAVE THE ZOO
THEY ARE ENJOYING THE
WEATHER.
THE EXCITING NEWS IN THEIR
CLASS IS THAT THEY ARE
GETTING GOOD AT MENTAL
MATHS.

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Please continue to help your children to adhere to the public health advice:



Ms Mehta's 2nd Class By Molly O'Callaghan

In the past month Ms Mehta's 2nd Class have been doing loads of amazing work! Such as descriptive writing, adjectives, fractions, tens and units, GAA and designing toys! They are also looking forward to doing Operation 'Save The Zoo' which will take place on Friday the 27th of November. They are really enjoying doing the new yard games, maths, P.E. art and just learning in general! They have some exciting news as one of the girls has new twin cousins, another girl is going to the dentist and a boy is going to Romania for Christmas! I hope they have a fantastic December!

## Survey of the Month!

The results of September's survey is below. The question was, what is your favourite primary colour?

The most popular colour was red with 40% of the votes.

Our November survey is: What is your sport from a list? You can answer here

#### Reporter: Joshua Breslin

The PTA has been hosting a Book Fair and a clothes recycling event. For the Halloween Dress up day they raised €753 for our school and they want to say a big thank you to everyone who has supported these events. Keep your eye out for the Christmas jumper event and a raffle.

### Reporter Maddie Branning

The student council have been working on the zoo posters with the creative council and organising a non-uniform day on Friday you can wear animal print clothes or clothes with animals on them and have asked you to bring in two euro so we may adopt an animal. They have also tried to make sports teams but unfortunately due to coronavirus they cannot. But the good news is that on RTE News Today we could get a shout out for dressing up.

You have probably heard about our newest member of staff — Kiwi. The giraffe can be a symbol of compassion and empathy — two values we hold dear in our school.

Kiwi is a kind and passionate giraffe who is originally from Maca Paca, Kiwiana Islands. His job in the school is to be given to the class who can walk down the stairs/corridors the most respectfully. What he most loves about his job is meeting all the children and playing with them. His favourite pastime is to walk around the school and admire all the lovely artwork that the children do. His favourite book is Gary Otter and his favourite movie is The Wizard of Oz. His favourite holiday is when he went to Planet Mars on the 22nd of September 2018. The people he most admires is his mom Kiwan, his dad Kwana and his brother Kewala.

# **OPERATION SAVE THE ZOO**



WE ARE DELIGHTED TO REPORT
THAT OPERATION SAVE THE ZOO
RAISED AN IMPRESSIVE €800!!
THIS WILL ALLOW US TO ADOPT
16 ANIMALS FROM THE ZOO. THE
CLASSES WILL NOW BE DECIDING
WHIH ANIMAL THEY WOULD LIKE
TO ADOPT.

### Reporter: Kate Moyles

Mr O'Brien's 5th Class has been doing lots of stuff this month, they have been doing long division in maths, they have also been learning about Antarctica. They have been doing 2 projects on the eco system and they have been building marble roller coasters. They are looking forward to learning about building some dioramas and learning about Tom Cream. In school they are enjoying P.E and they are doing rugby training.

Our Parent-Teacher Association
This month the PTA have organised a

clothes recycling event so parents can drop off unwanted clothing. There will be a Book Fair. Parents can buy books and our school gets a percentage of the profits which can be spent on free books for our library. There might be a picture competition for the junior classes and a short story competition for the senior classes. There are lots of amazing kid's books to buy. "We hope you support our school!" - The PTA

# Our School Assemblies

Our Value of the month was Responsibility.

The children have been discussing responsibility and learning about what it means. Here is a little summary.





Well done to all of the children who won awards for showing responsible behavior and taking responsibility.

Ms. Doyle's Class – Classroom 7 Reporter: Emma C

Today I got to go interview Miss Doyle to ask her a few questions about her class. The first question I asked her was "What was her class doing during the month of November?" and they did lots of things. They planted daffodil bulbs, they did sensory play and some of the things they played with was orbeez, rice and sand. Their class also listened to the story of The Magic Porridge Pot, made hand puppets and painted with sponges.

The second question I asked was "What will you be looking forward to doing this month?" and some of the things they would be looking forward to this month are doing Christmas arts and crafts, making fake snow for sensory play and looking at some new winter story books.

The final question I asked them was "What are you enjoying about school at the moment?" and Miss Doyle said that the kids were enjoying sensory play, music and movement (dancing), going to the sensory room and ball pit and Miss Doyle said that she was enjoying getting to know the kids.



Reporter: Kara Bayle

Ms Harneys 3rd class has been doing lots of new stuff like division and multiplication and counties in Ireland for geography.

In English, 3rd class was designing information leaflets and also for Irish they're learning Sa Bhaile and decorating their dream houses. In history they are learning about the medieval times.

Next month 3rd class is doing a winter concert for the parents and are excited for a bit more GAA. In the month of November they were doing science week! For science week 3rd class had a contest in their groups. They had to make the tallest sturdiest tower only using pasta and marshmallows!

And they also had a zoom call with another class to tell them facts and show them a couple of experiments too!

And also some more EXCITING NEWS! In art 3rd class is doing a story scene using coloured paper to make shapes!



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### Reporter: Joshua Breslin

Let's take a look at what Mr. Dunne's 4th class has been learning this month! They have learnt interesting Topics!

These include topics such as Climate Change which is a huge problem at the moment that we all need to help fix, Victorian Times, a poem called Macavity, who is a sneaky cat and made posters for him. They have also been learning about different Religions and Lines and Angles in maths.

They have also been doing drama on Victorian times. They will be doing a performance for the school assembly

#### **EXCITING NEWS!!!!!!!!**:

Their class are going to adopt an animal to help Dublin Zoo!

In other news, it's almost Aoife's Birthday in 14 days! I hope they have a fantastic year

