

Parents Association News

Cash for Clobber.

The Cash for Clobber fund raising initiative will take place on Friday March 28th. Filled bags can be left in the school hall on Wednesday March 27th, Thursday March 28th and before school on Friday March 28th.

Bags can be filled with any recycled clothing including torn or stained clothing but cannot include duvets or pillows (these will be left with the school for disposal so please do not include them). Each child has already received two bags and more bags are available on request from the office.

Cash for Clobber has been a valuable fund raiser in the past as the school receives payment for each filled bag. Please feel free to pass bags to friends and relatives as the more bags collected the more we help the school.

Confirmation party

The Parent Association will host a party in Choc na Gaoithe after Confirmation on Friday 4th April. We are calling on support from this year's fifth class parents for this event and will be issuing a note shortly.

If there is an activity you would like to see the Parent Association involved in please contact any member of the committee with your ideas.

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ST. MOCHULLA'S NEWSLETTER

Principal's message.

Dear Parents,

Welcome to our school newsletter. I hope everyone had an enjoyable Easter. It is hard to believe we are facing into the last term of the school year. It is always an extremely busy term in school with sport, school tours and tying up all the loose ends as we come to the end of another academic year. I hope you enjoy keeping up to date with whats happening in St. Mochullas in our latest newsletter.

Le gach dea mhéin,
Brian Culloo

March-April Birthday Parade.

Happy birthday to the following people who enjoyed birthdays recently: Ella Clayson, Gráinne Lynch, Alex O Sullivan, Caitríona Condon, Aoife Murphy, Aoife O Sullivan, Amy Byrnes, Katie Clune, Molly Ellis, Jennifer Nicholas, Vivienne O Sullivan, Danara Crowe, Sinead Murphy, Molly Sweeney, Fia Purcell, Ciara Touhy, Evie Quin, Muireann Donovan, Lisa Nicholas, Liadan Coleman, Ellen Hogan, Aimee Nolan, Ruth Touhy, Amy Rose Northy, Mary O Donnell, Harry Nolan, Robert Morriarity, Diarmuid Sheedy, Joe Clune, Matthew Purcell, Séan Malone, Alex O Mahony, James Donnellan, Glen McNamara, Luke O Keeffe, Emmet Mulcahy, Marcus Freeman, Rían McMahon, Kevin McGrath, Daragh Leamy, Odrán Griffin, Éanna Culloo, Lucas Donlon, Liam O Mahony, Stephen Minogue, Fintan Caulfield, Ben Purcell

Some Words of Wisdom.

When you feel as if you are going to scream, take a few moments to get away from it all if you can. Breathe deeply, try to see things in perspective, and come out and face the world again when you are ready.

Soccer.

Well done to the boys and girls soccer teams who competed in the Primary Schools 5 aside tournament in Lees Rd. recently. The girls team made up of Laura Halpin, Aoife Kelly, Ciara Halpin, Aoibh O Reilly, Grainne Lynch, Leah Molloy and Alex O Sullivan went all the way to the final of their competition where they lost by the narrowest of margins to the Holy Family.

INTO Camogie Mini7s.

On Wednesday April 30th the girls travelled to Sixmilebridge to take part in the finals of the INTO Mini 7s tournament. The girls had good wins over Kilnamona and Knockanean to reach the final where they were defeated by a very strong Kilmaley side. It was a super achievement for the girls to get to this stage of the INTO Mini 7s tournament and we are very proud of them. The girls involved were, Aisling Dooley, Orla O'Brien, Nessa Flynn, Aisling Clarke, Alex O Sullivan, Leah Molloy, Orna Mulconroy, Aoife Halpin, Leah Hunt, Laura Halpin, Áine Murphy, Aoife Murphy and Aoife Moroney. Thanks to Ms. O Loughlin, Ms. Bohan and Ms. Tierney for training the girls.

Cumann na mBunscol

St. Mochullas hurling and camogie teams will be busy over the next number of weeks as they take part in the Clare Cumann na mBunscol competitions. The boys play in Division 1 of the hurling competition and are in a group with Inagh/Cloonanaha, Sixmilebridge, Clonlara and Cratloe. The girls will take on Kilkishen/O Callaghans Mills and Feakle in their competition. Best of luck to all involved.

School Garden.

Work has started on the school garden with different classes planting the various beds. Thanks to Tulla Scout Troop for helping us to prepare the garden for planting.

Scratch Computer Programing.

Well done Áine and Liam.

Congratulations to Áine Murphy and Liam McInerney from 5th class on being selected to proceed to the Scratch Competition National Finals which took place in Dublin Castle recently. Áine and Liam's project was one of just 25 projects which was selected from nearly 1000 entries from all over the country. Áine and Liam travelled with their parents, Mr. Coughlan and Mr. Culloo to Dublin Castle for the Scratch National Awards ceremony where they were awarded first prize in the best educational content category. Why not check out their project on the 5th class section of the school website. A huge thank you to Mr. Coughlan for introducing 5th class to Scratch programming

Green Schools.

The Green Schools Committee (GSC) continue to be extremely active. As well as continuing with their usual duties of weigh the bins, water surveys, waste surveys etc. They are currently organising a National WOW day within the school for Wednesday May 14th. This nationwide initiative aims to get 20,000 people to walk or park and stride. The committee will also be conducting a school wide travel survey on this day. The school garden is also very much on the Green Schools agenda and thank you to the GSC for co-ordinating the planting in the garden. The GSC are also conducting a Global Citizenship survey from 3rd to 6th classes and have launched a competition to compose a Green Code for Global Citizenship (closing date May 22nd).

New Infants Day

On Thursday June 5th we are inviting the new junior infants and their parents to St. Mochulla's for a morning.

A Visit from the Fireman

On March 27th a fireman from Scarriff fire station came to St. Mochulla's to speak to 3rd and 4th classes about fire safety. He brought his fire engine and all the classes came out for a look.

St. Patricks Day Parade

Children from St. Mochullas marched in the St. Patricks Day Parade. Our parade entry was made by the pupils of 4th class and tied in with the Green Schools theme of globalisation. Our entry was awarded first prize in the childrens category.

First Holy Communion

On Saturday May 17th the children in 2nd class will receive their First Holy Communion. 30 children will make their First Communion this year We wish the children well and hope that everyone has a most enjoyable day.

Confirmation.

Congratulations to the boys and girls in 6th class who made their confirmation on April 4th last. A huge thank you to Ms. Browne and Margaret Scanlon for having the children so well prepared on the day and also to Ms. Corry, the choir and the school band for their beautiful music.

Charitable donation

Well done to the pupils of 6th class who donated nearly €500 of their own money to two very worthy causes. They gave €240 to the Sunshine Ward of University Hospital Limerick and another €240 to The Alzheimer's Association of Ireland.

Well done rang a sé!!

Scholastic Bookfair!

On Wednesday 21st May we will host a bookfair where the children can purchase books.