SMSG Newsletter 20th November 2026

November is Anti-Bullying Month

Junior Christmas Concert

Tickets are now on sale for our Annual Junior Christmas Concert.The concert is happening on Friday 4th December at 10 a.m. Ticket prices are €10 per adult, €5 concessions.
We also have some seats available in the hall on the morning of our Dress Rehearsal Show on Wednesday 2nd December at 10 a.m. This can sometimes be an option for parents who are not able to come on the Friday. If you wish to come along to this show instead, please let Annette know when you are buying your ticket.

Intel Mini Scientist Fair Friday 20th November 2026

The Intel Mini Scientist Exhibition took place in the school hall today.

This is a competition for Primary school students in 4th, 5th and 6th Class, in which they develop science related projects. The Winning project selected at this school level exhibition will then go on to take part in the Regional Final.Out judges, Caroline and Lynda were impressed by the level of the projects this year. Our pupils had spent a lot of time working together on their projects and had presented them so well.

The winners were:

Best Project & proceeding to Intel Final

" Best Repellant for Slugs and Snails" -F o'K (6th) & E.M (6th).

Highly Commended Projects

How do Different Waters affect the growth of moss? T.R & S.D (4th)

Can Agar be an alternative to plastic bags? F.C., A.K, A.M.

Highly Commended Presentation

Magnetic Levitation Device B.M (6th)

Yeast Cells D.D. (6th)

Thank you to Ms Healy for organising this event . Míle buíochas to our judges Lynda & Caroline, our teachers Ms Seoighe, Ms Russell, Ms Creane & Ms Carruth and to our parents for the support at home.

Concern Debate

We held round two of our Concern debate today in school. The motion of the debate was: "Public Travel should be free for all.". Our debate team proposed the motion, debating against Presentation Terenure P.S. The adjudicator felt that the standard was so high, rather than giving one point for a draw, he gave each team two points! Well done to our debate team; K.Mc G,K.R. and A.H.and thank you to Ms McConnell for organising this.

6th Class News

6th Class-Forensic Science

6th Class was doing forensic science on the 8th to the 13th in our classroom for a science lesson by getting a member of our class to steal Ms. Seoighe's Oscar Trophy. This trophy is awarded for creativity and imagination in Free Writing and is a very special and coveted prize! Ms Seoighe lifted the culprit's fingerprint using sellotape, the shoe print and a piece of their hair.

On the first day we got into our groups and studied the clues. The first one was the fingerprint; we all coloured our right thumb and compared it to the evidence that was given.

Then we examined the piece of hair, we looked at the colour, the size and if was curly or not. It was brown with a bit of blond at the end. It was short and in the shape of a circle.

The last piece of evidence was the footprint (retrieved from a mucky print left on her desk where the culprit stood to reach the trophy from on top of the press!) It looked worn down and we soon traced it to be a New Balance shoe.

We narrowed down the suspects to 5 people, AM, AH, EO'N, TS and DMcG. Then we looked at the hairpiece again, this let EO'N and TS get away with it as their hair was not a match.

Lastly, we inspected the fingerprint again more closely and compared the whorls- the culprit was not DMcG! There were no more clues to figure out who the criminal was, so we had to check their alibi's and their bags. A was the real culprit.

The case had been solved!

By K.R.

Senior Infants News

Senior Infants brightened up their November on Thursday by having a Reading Den Day. They cosied up in their dens and read stories by torchlight to their teddies. They loved their cosy day and hopefully will continue to love reading too.

Engineering

We are working on solving a problem related to our classroom or school environment in each class. The project will take place over a few weeks. This is part of the introduction of the engineering strand of STEM to the Primary School Curriculum. We will keep you updated on these interesting learning experiences.

Feedback; parents in 4th Class

We have violin tuition in 4th Class as part of the Music Generation Network programme. Our school contribute to the costs through funds raised in the school. Parents of 4th Class; I would be interested to hear your feedback on how this is going for your child at home. Please drop me an email or let me know at the gate. I will be reviewing this with Ms Carruth and her class also.

Extra-Curricular

Artzone have places in their classes. Please see the flyer attached at the end of the newsletter. Chess is currently full.

Here are the dates for the Christmas Sho!ho!ho!ws.

Junior Shows (Junior Infants - 2nd Class)
Performance: Friday 4th December @ 10 am
Senior Shows (3rd-6th Class)
Performance: Thurs 17th Dec @ 7 pm
Christmas Carol Service : Mon 21st Dec @ 11.15 a.m.

Dates for the diary

Ladies Lunch: Saturday 2nd January 2027

Grandparents Day :Friday 29th January 2027

Sacraments Dates: Choir please take note of Communion Date!

First Communion: Sat 24th April .* ***Choir from 4th -6th please also save the date***

Confirmation:Thursday 18th March

Community Dates
Follow the Star Procession Saturday 28th November at 4pm
Christmas Tree collection time-Sun 29th Nov 1-3 pm