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Newsletter for March 2017



Anois teacht an earraigh beidh an lá ag dul chun síneadh (Now with the coming of Spring the day will be lengthening) so now is the time to get out and about and enjoy the extra length in the day.



This week we begin our **March Step Up** where pupils are recording their personal energy usage for the week. They are recording the number of steps per class. At the end of the week the class with the highest scores will get the **Golden Boot**, the class with the second highest score will get the **Silver Wellie** and the class with the third score will get the **Fluorescent Flipflop**.

The pupils will record when they walk to swimming, when they go on walks and any activities in the environs of the school. We are encouraging the parents to continue this at weekends. Just use the app on your phone and help your child to Step up to a healthier life.

The 1st March was Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. **Trócaire Boxes** were distributed to all classes last week to mark the beginning of the Trocaire Lenten collection. The Trócaire Boxes will not be collected until after Easter and we will let you know the day the children can return the boxes.



Science week was a great success with the culmination with the **Science Fair** on Friday 10th February where all classes showed their experiments to the whole school. Check the class blogs for photos. 6th class will also participate in a coding workshop this Wednesday 8th March for International Womens Day.



World book day was a great success with pupils involved in reading activities throughout the day. 5th and 6th class also had a visit from author Marguerite Toner which was very enjoyable. Please continue to encourage your child to read at every available opportunity.



3rd Class will perform in **Córfhéile na Scoileanna tomorrow 7th March** in the Basketball Arena in Tallaght. Parents are welcome to attend but need to be seated in the arena by 10.15am. We look forward to a great performance.



Our annual Céili is scheduled for Friday 24th March and sponsor cards for this will be sent out the week before. All the classes are busy practicing their dances for the ceilí. **Pupils can wear a green jersey or tee shirt on that day with their tracksuit bottoms.**

March also sees the beginning of Seachtain na Gaeilge which runs from 13th March to Friday 24th March finishing with the Céili. We will have the ceolchoirm on Wednesday 15th March where all classes will perform items as Gaeilge. There will be lots of games, activities and competitions in all classes so encourage your children to make every effort to speak Irish. **Mol an óige and tiocfaidh sí.**

Some Reminders for Parents:



For parents of 2nd Class pupils, First Confession is on Monday 27th March in the Church at 1.30pm.



For parents of 6th Class pupils making their Confirmation, Ceremony of Light is on Thursday 27th April at 1.30pm in the Church.



School will be closed **Friday 17th March for St. Patrick's Day.**



Easter Holidays begin on **Friday 7th April at 12 o'clock** and school reopens on **Monday 24th April 2017.**

Le gach dea ghuí

Ms. Burke-Heneghan

and the Staff of Scoil Mhuire.