

Newsflash

**FEBRUARY
2018**

**MID TERM BREAK
SCHOOL CLOSED: MON 12TH FEB-FRI 16TH**

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Celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2018

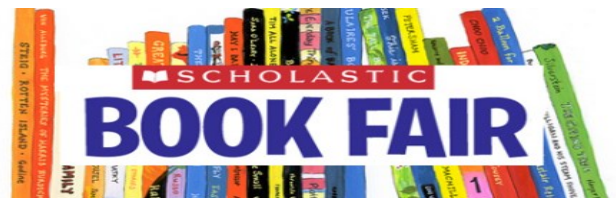
January 28 – February 3

#CSW18

We celebrated this special week with specific lessons taking place in each class. Miss Mc Sorley (RE Coordinator) monitored all the fantastic work the children produced for it. The focus this year was on the families of families. This ties in well with Pope Francis' upcoming visit to Ireland. The World Meeting of Families takes place in Dublin, Ireland on 21st – 26th August.

On 22nd Jan, the whole school had talk from the NSPCC. Some of the classes then took part in a Stay Safe workshop. The children talked about various situations and got advice on what to do and where to seek support.

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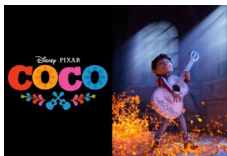
There has been lots of excitement these past few weeks in the lead up to our annual book fair. Mrs Marley (Literacy Coordinator) ran a fantastic competition where the children had to pick their favourite book character and complete an activity on them – either inside the character's head or a character profile. The entries were fabulous and it was so hard to choose! Well done to the winners who received a £5 book token and our runners up who received a nice treat too. Thanks to all who supported the book fair this week.

Overall Winners...

- P1**– Cillian Corry
- P2**– Carrie Dillon
- P3/4**– Kiera Mc Guigan
- P5/6**– Fionnuala Clarke and Rhianna Barrett
- P7**– Eoghain Donnelly.

Film club trip

To end a very enjoyable and successful film club, a trip was organised to Omagh cinema to see the movie Coco. A lovely afternoon was had by all!



We welcomed two new pupils in January- Olivia and Erin. They have made lots of friends already!



Well done to the staff and parents who participated in First Aid Training in school in January. Many thanks to Una Barrett for organising.



Dates for the diary

Sun 11th Feb– P7 pledge mass at 12.30pm Sacred Heart Church

17–24 Feb- Family Mission week in Sacred Heart Church.

Monday 19th Feb- All Saints' P.S. pupils will provide the music/singing for mass at 7.30pm. We would appreciate a good turnout to represent our school in this.

22 Feb- P5/6 girls blitz in Station Centre and P7 on Bee Safe programme.

7th March – P4 and P5 will go to St Dymphna's P.S. for a performance of 'In the Net,' a play on internet awareness.

7th and 8th March- Michelle, our school nurse will visit and assess Year 1 pupils.

Thursday 8th March- First Confession in St. Mary's Church, Drumragh at 7pm.

Saturday 10th March– Confirmation in Sacred Heart Church at 3pm.

Sports

-It has been a busy month for sports in our school. Mr Mc Kenna (PE Coordinator) took some P6 and P7 boys to a hurling blitz at the Station Centre.

-Mr Mc Kenna also had some P6 and P7 boys at an indoor Gaelic blitz.

-The P6 and P7 classes are now several weeks into their swimming programme and are doing great!



-We sincerely thank Linda McNamee who will soon complete her Classroom Assistant placement with us in the Year 1 classroom. Linda was a great asset and made lots of friends during her time with us.
-Thanks also to Fiona Robinson who returned to help in the office. Your work is greatly appreciated Fiona.

P3/4

The children go out twice a week with P7 children and read for enjoyment and to build confidence. The children are really enjoying this experience.



Critical Literacy Project

The P7's are taking part in this programme, run by the Irish News. Each week, the children receive their own copy of the paper. In small groups or pairs, the children then complete an activity which focuses on a particular aspect e.g. newspaper jargon or the different sections in a newspaper. It has been a great way to extend their Literacy skills in a fun, interactive way.



P1

Year 1 and Reception will begin a topic on 'Where food comes from' after mid term. We have been learning about the Arctic and Antarctic... and the weather matched our learning very appropriately.

P2/3

The P2/3 class are learning about the Winter Olympics. They are very excited about it starting on the 9th February and are going to tune in to some of the events!

P5/6

-P5 will link up with Arvalee pupils after mid term break. 3 Maths sessions will take place on the 23rd Feb, 9th March and 23rd March.

-During the month of March, there will be a parent information evening for the P5 children about Paired Reading.

P7

P7 have had a very busy few weeks! Some highlights include:

-Taster day in Sacred Heart College.

-A talk from a teacher and pupils from St John's College.

-Deciding on their new schools for next year.

-Service of Light mass in preparation for their Confirmation.

Well done to our winners in the Mandarin New Year's poster competition:

P7- Annie, Shane and Eoghain D.

P5/6- Rhianna, Fionnuala, Amy, Cora and Anna.