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NUACHTLITIR (NEWSLETTER) FOR ALL PARENTS, No. 10, 10ú Márta.

Seachtain na Gaeilge

Beidh Céilí na bPáistí againn i gclós na scoile - Déardaoin 16ú Márta, 11.00 r.n. le cúnamh Dé - má bhíonn an lá tirim. As part of our *Seachtain na Gaeilge* activities, we plan on having our popular 'Céilí na bPáistí' in the school yard - weather permitting - at 11a.m. on Thursday 16th March. Parents are welcome to attend but please note that **as this is an outdoor event, the plan is open to change at short notice (depending on the weather and/or any unforeseen circumstances). We appreciate your understanding in this regard.** Please keep an eye on your emails/texts closer to the time.

Bhí meas riamh ar Éirinn mar thír mhór cheoil a bhfuil traidisiún aici atá ag síneadh siar go dtí na fáithscéalta. Seachtain na Gaeilge is an ideal time to highlight, enjoy and nurture the **musical talent** in our school. Our annual '**Ceol sa bhForhalla**' (Ceol sa 'Foyer') will take place each morning from Monday to Thursday of next week (starting shortly after the school opens at 8:40am each day. Please remember that normal school opening times apply on those days – the school will not be open to receive pupils or others prior to 8:40am.) It's a wonderful opportunity for the boys and girls to share their musical talents (*instrumental* music) with their peers and parents in a relaxed and supportive environment.

Children from first to sixth class who will be performing have been advised of their appointed date – you can check this in your child's homework journal. You will understand that coordinating this event at whole-school level is a significant undertaking and your cooperation, understanding and support, as always, are appreciated. So that the event will run smoothly, we ask that the main front door is not used for entry/exit to/from the school on those mornings. (We will make a separate arrangement for the infant classes to see and hear some of our musicians during the week.) Tá **Tráth na gCeist** ollmhór (Rang 4-6) á eagrú do na páistí freisin agus táimid ag súil go mór leis.

Tá go leor **Gaeilge** ag na páistí...agus ag na tuismitheoirí! Seachtain na Gaeilge is an ideal time to put our 'Gaeilge' into practice. You may like to refer to some of the resources in the Links section of our website to support your child's learning and practice.

Sacraments and related preparation

We wish every blessing to our pupils in second class who took part in the **Sacrament of First Forgiveness/Reconciliation** on Tuesday night and our pupils in sixth class who took part in the **Pledge Ceremony** on Sunday night. Many thanks to the teaching and non-teaching staff, parents and families, and all in the parish who continue to support those children on their journey of faith. We appreciate their generosity of time and good will.

Other news & updates:

Pupils in fourth class will soon be taking part in the **Cycling Safety Programme**. The **knitting** initiative is to be launched with first class shortly. Pupils in fifth class are putting the final touches to their repertoire for the **National Children's Choir** performance, with one inter-school practice at local level and one practice at Dublin regional level remaining before the actual concert on Monday 3rd April in the National Basketball Arena. Our pupils in junior and senior infants are deriving both enjoyment and benefit from the new **Aistear** materials – our thanks to the Parents' Association for their valuable financial contribution to this project. Pupils throughout the school engaged very well with **World Book Day**, one aspect of which involved pupils from the middle and senior classes reading books with and for pupils in the junior classes. The parent volunteers in our school's **lending library** (Tuesday and Thursday mornings) help to nurture our pupils' love of reading right throughout the year – if you think you would like to assist in this way, please get in touch with the school directly so that the necessary vetting and induction session can be addressed first. Parents then 'sign up' to various dates – on the timetable on the main noticeboard in the foyer – as available. For example, there are currently some Thursday slots awaiting volunteers. Many thanks to those who help out with this worthwhile task.

Le gach dea-ghuí,
Anne English - Príomhoide