# Scoil San Treasa

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#### **Catholic Schools Week 2019**

A warm word of congratulations to the boys and girls from fourth class on their wonderful singing (and behaviour!) at the Laudate Festival in the Church of St. Thérèse last night. As you may already know, the Laudate Festival is a project of the Archdiocese of Dublin that builds a common repertoire of hymns between school and parish. A large number of schools...in the region of thirteen... took part last night, leading congregational singing and reflection. The repertoire was extensive and varied. We appreciate the support of all those who turned out on the night and those who supported this venture on many levels. A special 'thank you' to the teachers who put such energy and enthusiasm into preparing the children and who generously gave of their personal time.

Our pupils in third class celebrated Grandparents' Day here in Scoil San Treasa this afternoon. The short prayer service, followed by light refreshments, was a delightful opportunity to acknowledge all grandparents, including both those in attendance and those who could not be with us today. We appreciate the input of teaching and support staff who make such events possible and the practical support of the Parents' Association in providing light refreshments. The boys and girls are to be commended on their good work. Maith sibh go léir!

Tomorrow is St. Brigid's Day. Traditionally, St. Brigid's Crosses have been made in Ireland on that day and some of our senior pupils have been actively working on such projects in recent days. We note the extra effort to which teachers have gone to procure rushes! Maith sibh!

### **Drumming Workshops**

Our pupils in first class thoroughly enjoyed availing of drumming workshops on Tuesday. All pupils actively engaged in this 'hands-on' activity. The day culminated in a short performance for parents.

#### **Science**

Our heightened focus on Science continues throughout the school. During January, both second class and first class availed of Rediscovery Science workshops. The workshops proved to be worthwhile and enjoyable. Pupils engaged with activities around a range of topics such as magnetism, buoyancy and gravity. This complements and extends the range of inquiry-based learning already in evidence in our classrooms.

Parents may like to check out the 'Supporting Your Child's Learning' section of our website, <a href="www.sstreasa.ie">www.sstreasa.ie</a> It can be found under the tab, 'Parents'. You will find some posters and information there based on the natural world. These resources are particularly relevant to the local area. You will also find some tips on prompting your child to use scientific skills. We hope to build on this section of the website over time.

We acknowledge the support of the Parents' Association around the provision of various co-curricular workshops.

## **Safer Internet Day**

We prioritise internet safety here in Scoil San Treasa, and, in reality, every day is seen as Internet Safety Day. We direct special attention to this broad area in the lead-up to Safer Internet Day which is marked at national level on 5<sup>th</sup> February. We encourage parents to check out and engage with the resources available at <a href="https://www.webwise.ie/saferinternetday/">https://www.webwise.ie/saferinternetday/</a> and <a href="https://www.webwise.ie/parents/">https://www.webwise.ie/parents/</a> on a regular basis.