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### NUACHTLITIR (NEWSLETTER) FOR ALL PARENTS, No. 3, 4ú Deireadh Fómhair, 2018

*The school year is well underway and we have lots of updates and information to share with you.*

- Celebrating the Feast of St. Thérèse marked the start of this week. The school choir and orchestra added much to the celebration of Mass, and the boys and girls are to be commended on their fine behaviour on the day. We are proud of you! A special word of thanks to all those involved in preparing and coordinating the choir, orchestra and musical accompaniment.
- As you are already aware, the Board of Management/Parents' Association AGM 2018 is scheduled for 7:30pm on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October in our school hall. This is an important event in the school calendar and all parents are warmly encouraged to attend. A date for your diary!
- Preparation is already underway for First Holy Communion, with a short parish/home/school meeting scheduled for Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 7:30pm (school hall). We look forward to your attendance and we wish all involved in the preparation for the sacrament every blessing.
- It was energising to see the high level of engagement and support around the Gaelic Football match in Deer Park this afternoon (Senior Boys – Division II Shield – quarter-final). Our team put in a great display of skill and sportsmanship and will be playing in the semi-final shortly. Our senior girls performed to a very high standard in the quarter final of Division I – Shield – Ladies Football yesterday. They emerged victorious after a very exciting match, having represented the school very well. They are now through to the semi-final. We commend all those involved, including their supporters, and, of course, the teachers who give freely of their personal time to make all of this happen. Go raibh maith agaibh go léir!
- The boys and girls in fourth class are working hard on the repertoire for the Laudate Festival 2019. It is just lovely to hear the sweet strains of music throughout the building as the children give of their best. The festival night will involve a large cohort of pupils from a range of different schools across the Diocese singing a mixed repertoire of hymns together. Similarly, the boys and girls in fifth class are engaging with the repertoire for the National Children's Choir 2019. This too will culminate in a large-scale choral performance. We wish you all well in these ventures.
- Our Gardening/Biodiversity programme for this year was launched this week. Fourth class were busy sowing & planting - broad beans, garlic, daffodils and allium. Infants harvested potatoes and onions, and sowed broad beans. We look forward to seeing the fruits of their labour later in the year. This project continues to tie in well with our overall Science programme, with benefits also in terms of SPHE (Social, Personal & Health Education). We appreciate the support of the Heritage in Schools Scheme and the Parents' Association.
- Our school hall was converted into an impressive 'Local History Museum' for a large part of the day today. Pupils from sixth class had put great work into the attractive exhibitions which included 3-D models, detailed information sheets & posters and interactive elements. Those presenting the information did so with great clarity and enthusiasm. Thank you for inviting us along to this informative and enjoyable event!
- A word of thanks to the parents for the fine response to our Science questionnaire (as circulated to all parents last month as part of our overall School Self-Evaluation – SSE). We have also consulted with other groups within the school community, including the pupils themselves. We are proud of the high level of engagement with and interest in science across the school community and look forward to building on this further. We look forward to sharing more information with you about this undertaking.
- **Internet Safety** continues to be an area of huge importance. As in previous years, it has received heightened attention this week during SST's Internet Safety week. Parents are encouraged to engage with the Internet Safety resources available on our school website. A good starting point for those who want to explore this area further is the website [www.webwise.ie](http://www.webwise.ie)
- Renewed thanks to all in the school community for your ongoing support and good will. This is much appreciated.

Le buíochas agus le gach dea-ghuí

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