



Loreto College Junior School

ST. STEPHEN'S GREEN | DUBLIN 2

Tel: 01-6618181

Email: info@loretojuniorthegreen.ie

Newsletter March 2018

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that St Patrick's Day is over. We have had such a busy, challenging, yet enjoyable time, that this term has flown.

Already we have had many opportunities to celebrate the achievements of our pupils. Whether it is through involvement with sport and activities - inside & outside of school - extra efforts with homework, or classwork that was challenging, or through sharing kindness & friendship with other pupils, our girls have excelled. The motivation to Reflect and Improve upon their own efforts, to develop resilience in the face of difficult tasks, comes from their experience in the classroom and at home.

Seachtain na Gaeilge

Bhí Seachtain na Gaeilge a cheiliúradh ag cailíní agus muinteoirí Loreto le coicís anuas. Bhí béim ar labhairt na Gaeilge le linn Seachtain na Gaeilge. Rinne na cailíní iarracht mhór an Ghaeilge a labhairt agus bhí siad ag úsáid na frásaí agus focail Gaeilge atá foghlamtha acu i rith an choicís. Bhí réimse leathan imeachtaí ar siúl sa scoil le linn Seachtain na Gaeilge. Bhí tráth na gceist ag na ranganna sinsearach agus bhí ceardlann cartúin ag na ranganna sóisearacha. Bhí comórtas ealaíona ar siúl agus bhí ar na cailíní pictiúr a tharraingt le cur síos a dhéanamh ar sean fhocail. Bhí ceolchoirm againn agus bhí píosa siamsaíochta churtha i láthair ag gach rang. Bhí réimse leathan dánta, amhráin agus sceitsí ar an stáitse le linn an cheolchoirm. D'fhoghlaim gach rang damhsa gaelach, agus

rinne siad táispeantais ag an cheolchoirm freisin. Rinne na ranganna sinsearach ceardlann Cumann Lúthchleas Gael le Miss Timmons inar fhoghlaim siad na scileanna a bhaineann le na cluichí gaelacha. Bhí spórt agus spraoi againn agus muid ag ceiliúradh ár teanga agus ár gcultúr!

Easter Ceremonies

We are drawing to the end of Lent shortly. The girls have tried really hard to "Do something better" or to "Do without something". The Easter Triduum is one liturgy, lasting 3 days, beginning on Holy Thursday. Most parishes have special children's services. If at all possible please attend with your daughter and join in the celebration of the Lord's Passion and Resurrection, which has been part of the R.E. Programme covered over Lent.

First Penance

2nd Class received the Sacrament of Penance in University Church on 14th March. Ms Burke was so proud of her girls as they sang, read, dramatized the story of Zacchaeus and behaved with such reverence. Their halos have been shining since. We ask parents to accompany the girls on their special journey towards Holy Communion by attending Mass regularly as a family.

Easter Bonnet Parade

Our Junior School Sponsored Walk for Loreto P.S. Rumbek takes place tomorrow morning, Friday 23rd March. The girls will be back to school in time for usual half day collection times.

- Collection will be from the green gate at the rear of the school on Leeson Lane.
- Please note it will not be possible to pass through the school as the children must all be collected from the one location for safety.
- Collectors, aftercare, minders and relations may only collect from the Leeson Lane gates.
- The pedestrian gate will be open and the children will be with their teacher.
- No child may be taken without being signed off by their class teacher. It is vital that this procedure is followed by everyone on Friday at lunchtime.
- If your daughter is being collected by someone other than yourself please send this information to the teacher by written note or email.
- I hope it will be a fitting climax to our busy term and with your cooperation regarding the collection arrangements my teachers will also enjoy the event.
- All sponsorship cards returned will go into a class raffle for special in-class prizes.

If sending a cheque for this very special charity which is so close to our hearts here in the Junior School please make it payment to 'Loreto College Junior School'.

Every pupil will receive a small treat on the day as we end our term filled with positivity!

New Baby

Congratulations to Ms Sweeney and her husband on the recent birth of their new baby Elliott.

Confirmation

On Friday last, 16th March, Sixth Class girls received the Sacrament of Confirmation. It was a beautiful occasion and the girls and Ms Timmins had prepared so well for their special day. 4th & 5th Classes provided the beautiful singing which added so much to the Liturgy.

Trócaire

Trócaire believes in fairness, and the dignity and potential of every person. Trócaire works to empower people so that they can determine a better future for themselves. Their work transforms lives and it is only possible because of our support.

If you have joined Trócaire in the fight for justice, please return your donation box to the office by Friday 13th April. Thereafter you can return it to your Parish church.

The **Easter Bunny** hopped over the wall to visit Junior & Senior Infants. He left eggs hidden outside for them and they had great fun searching for them.

Dates for the Diary:

28th April: First Holy Communion

18th May: ACCORD RSE workshop for 5th & 6th

29th May: 6th Class Graduation

A Novena of Masses will be offered for the intentions of all members of our Loreto Junior School family.

Beannachtaí na Cásca oraibh go léir. Tá súil agam go mbeidh briseadh iontach agaibh go léir.

Le gach déa-ghuí

Maireád, Bean Uí Chathmhaoil

Margaret Campbell