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Amazing April to Magnificent May

Communion Class 16/17



The picture shows the boys and girls of 2nd Class in Drom National School who received their Communion on Sunday, 14th May 2017. The children were truly the pride of the parish and a credit to both their teacher, Ms. Scanlan, their parents / guardians and their families.

This month we have a bumper issue for our readers filled with news of ceremonies in our school, sporting events such as soccer, hurling and camogie, fundraising events and upcoming dates for your diary. We have just come to the end of our summer tests and reports will follow shortly. We look forward to June which will see us go on our school tours, take part in our sports day, hold our graduation mass for 6th class students and for the first time we will hold an awards day to reward the efforts of our students in association with Templemore O.N.E. With so much to do, we won't feel it until we are getting our summer holidays.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 1st: Harty Cup Winners visit the school at 1.30pm approx.
- June 5th: Bank Holiday. NO SCHOOL.
- June 9th: Student yearly reports will be sent home / Book scheme deadline.
- June 12th: Relationship and Sexuality Education information evening for 5th & 6th class parents / guardians @ 7.30pm in the school.
- June 13th: Relationship and Sexuality Education presentation for 5th & 6th Class students.
- June 15th: 2nd Class – 6th Class school tour to University of Limerick.
- June 16th: Junior Infants – First Class school tour to Roscrea
- June 19th: Annual Sports Day
- June 19th: Junior Infants 2017 / 2018 are invited to join us from 9.30am to 12.30pm.
- June 23rd: Graduation Mass, Laying of Angela Kenneally Memorial Plaque & First Annual School Awards.
- June 27th: Summer Holidays @ 12.30pm

HOLY COMMUNION DAY

By Second Class in Drom NS

We had our First Holy Communion on the 14th May 2017. It will be a day we will always remember! We woke early Sunday morning full of excitement with only a tinge of nerves!! When we arrived at the church we were all dressed fabulously and felt very happy. The mass went exceptionally well. Everybody read and sang beautifully. We really enjoyed our day. A big thank you to our teacher Ms. Scanlan, Fr. Murphy, Avril Kinane, the choir, our families and all those who helped make our day so special.

Those who received their First Holy Communion were:

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| David Black | Hazel Ryan |
| Ryan Nolan | Orla Power |
| Cormac Healion | Cliana Nolan |
| Darragh Barry | Niamh Mockler |



GREAT GARDENING

By Abbey Kennedy Hogan and Julia McHugh

In recent times, all classes had the opportunity to do some gardening with Bronagh Delargy. We had great fun and we learned a lot. We first had to take all the weeds out of the beds. Next we prepared the soil and added new compost. Second to fourth class planted peas, courgettes and tomatoes. We placed cut plastic bottles over the new courgette plants to keep unwanted bugs away and to help the plant get a good start. We really enjoyed our time and we would like to thank Bronagh for teaching us so much.

NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN

This year, children from Junior Infants to Sixth Class took part in the National Spring Clean. Each classroom was responsible for a different zone in the school and the village. The teachers spoke to the children about safety and highlighted possible dangers before we left. Then we collected the relevant equipment for the task ahead – bags, gloves, litter pickers and brushes etc. We were delighted with our efforts and everyone agreed it had been a successful day. Our village sparkled after all our hard work so we hope that all can keep it up! Well done to all involved.

UNBELIEVABLE U-11 HURLING BLITZ

By Fourth Class in Drom NS

On the 8th May, Drom entered an U11 Hurling Blitz. The team were April Glasheen, Corbin O'Toole, James Ryan, Liam Brereton, Kiera Patterson, Maeve Healion, T.J. Kinnane and Ryan Coleman. Our blitz was held in the Ragg. We played Lismackin, Fethard and CBS primary school. Sadly we were beaten in our first match. However we kept our heads up and came back strong in our second and third matches beating both CBS and Fethard. We were overjoyed and we felt we had all played extremely well.



PRIMARY GAMES

Girls Camogie Primary Game Trials

On the 6th of April, Rachel Ryan of 6th class attended the girls camogie primary games trial in the Dr Morris Park in Thurles. Every school picked one girl to go for this trial in the hope that they would get through to the next round. There were a lot of different matches and the coaches were looking out for girls who caught their eye. Luckily for us, Rachel was one of those girls who was successful in getting through to the next round. The second round was much harder and was held on the 25th of April in Dr Morris Park again. Unfortunately for the girls who took part, the weather was definitely not on their side and they had to play through rain, hail, and wind. Rachel was unfortunate not to have gotten to the final round but we are very proud of how far she got.

Football Primary Games Trials

On Tuesday 9th May, James Ryan took part in the football primary games in the Durlas Óg grounds. On arrival, we went into the dressing room and were split into teams. Then we played a match. At half time we were allowed to ask to move position if we didn't want to play where we had been playing. When the match was finished we were told who had gotten through to the next stage and who had not. Sadly James didn't get through but gave it everything he had and did both himself and his school proud.

U-13 CAMOGIE BLITZ

On Tuesday the 4th April, the 4th, 5th and 6th class girls travelled to the Ragg for a camogie blitz. First, we played Ballycahill. They took an early lead and held it for the remainder of the game. Next, we played Barnane, but Barnane proved to be too strong for us. Unfortunately, luck was not on our side, but we had a fun day.

U-13 HURLING BLITZ

On Thursday the 27th April, the 5th and 6th class boys went to Killenale to play in an U-13 hurling blitz. They played against Drangan and Poulacapple. Our first match was against Drangan but sadly we lost: 4-10 to 4-7. Unfortunately we also lost against Poulacapple. Despite our losses we all had a good time.

SCHOOL LEAGUE

On the 26th April, the school league began. School league is a hurling league played within 1st to 6th class. The matches are played every Wednesday. Ambrose Purcell is our referee. The team captains are James Ryan, Geena Quinlan, Chloe Nolan, Rachel Ryan and Olivia Delargy.

26 th April 2017	James V Geena	Winner: Team Geena
3 rd May 2017	Chloe V Rachel	Winner: Team Chloe
10 th May 2017	James V Olivia	Winner: Team James
23 rd May 2017	Geena V Chloe	Winner: Team Chloe

The next match is on the 31st of May which will see the start of the knock out rounds. Good luck to all those involved.

AMAZING APRIL

On the 20th and 21st May, April Glasheen took part in the County Fleadh in Cahir. Talented April took part in the solo competitions held on the 20th May playing the fiddle and the concertina. Then on the 21st May, April played the fiddle once again as part of the Céili band and Grúpa Cheoil. For her efforts, April achieved two silver medals and will now go on with her fellow band members to the Munster Fleadh in Cork. Well done April and best of luck going forward.



DROM NOTES!



CLASS ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2017 / 2018

Junior Infants & Senior Infants, :	Ms. C. Scanlan
First Class, Second Class & Third Class, :	Ms. M. Butler
Fourth Class, Fifth Class & Sixth Class:	Ms. A. Moore-Walsh
Special Education Teachers:	Ms. Nollaig Hackett & Ms. Felicity Murphy

BOOK SCHEME

Provided alongside this newsletter are the details of the book scheme that will operate in the school in 2017 / 2018 along with the booklists for each class. The book scheme arrangements and booklists for all classes are also available in the Parents Section of the school website www.dromns.com. SHOULD ANY FAMILY HAVE NO FURTHER USE FOR SOME OF THE BOOKS LISTED ON THE SCHOOL BOOKLISTS, WE WOULD ASK YOU TO CONSIDER DONATING THEM TO THE SCHOOL.

SCHOOL TOURS

The details of the Junior Infants to First Class school tour have been provided to the students and are also available on www.dromns.com. Details of the Second Class to Sixth Class School Tour will follow shortly.

ANNUAL AWARDS

Following the sixth class Graduation Mass and laying of the Angela Kenneally Memorial Plaque, we will hold our first annual awards ceremony in association with Templemore O.N.E. on Friday, 23rd June. At this ceremony, we will present the following:
 Student of the Year: This student will receive the Jerry Coonan Memorial Shield from Templemore O.N.E.
 Full Attendance Award
 Sportsperson of the Year
 Various subject awards
 We invite parents / guardians to join us for this ceremony and will provide more detail in the coming weeks.

CARD NIGHT

A sincere word of thanks to all those who played a role in making our recent Card Night such an outstanding success. Over €1,500 was raised. It really showed what we can achieve when we all come together for the benefit of the children in our school. In particular we would like to thank Ger and Sheila Devaney of Devaney's Dinners who provided all the refreshments on the night and Fr. Murphy and Ambrose Purcell whose expertise was invaluable in the organisation of this fabulous night.