

# DROM News

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## Jam-Packed January!

**INTERNET SAFETY TALK**  
**BY ÁINE KNIGHTLY OF THE APC**

**16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2017**

**7.30PM – 9.30PM**  
**IN DROM NS**

**ADMISSION FREE**

**PARENTS / GUARDIANS WELCOME**

Athbhliain faoi Mhaise Daoibh. We are looking forward to a wonderful 2017. January has been an eventful month which has seen us start Irish dancing classes, prepare for the Credit Union Quiz and start improving our school grounds. We progress also with our hurling training and will start our school hurling league in the coming weeks. Along with all of this, second class are starting to prepare for their First Confession and First Holy Communion. WOW! We have been busy.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- ☐ Internet Safety Talk:  
February, 16<sup>th</sup> from 7.30pm to 9.30pm in Drom NS.
- ☐ February Mid-Term Break:  
The school will be closed on Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> & Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> February. School re-opens on Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> February @ 9.20am
- ☐ Enrolment application deadline: Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March @ 3pm

### WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back to our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Class teacher, Ms. Margaret Butler. We express our gratitude to Mr Jamie Maloney for his hard work in Term 1. We wish him the very best in his future career.



## ENROLMENT: 2017 / 2018

Enrolment applications for 2017 / 2018 are now being accepted. Please call the school for an enrolment pack or to arrange a visit. We would be delighted to meet with you and your child. We would also appreciate if you could spread the word amongst your family and friends. For more information or to receive an enrolment application form, please call the school on (0504) 51688. We look forward to hearing from you.

**INTERNET SAFETY TALK**

The overall objective of the session is to provide parents with information and skills to be able to engage in their children's online lives. Co-financed by the European Union – Connecting Europe Facility & Virgin Media

Parents often admire how easily their children can use the Internet – but aren't quite sure of what they are doing or seeing. This programme looks at how children use the internet. Parents will be introduced to strategies to help their children be responsible, effective and safer Internet users. This session also looks at cyber bullying.

As parents, it is vital to have good, open communication with your child about their internet lives. Like all other aspects of their lives, we need to talk to our children about the potential dangers that they may come across online as well as the many benefits they will find. The programme also shows parents how to disable or enable safety mode on their computers.

Setting rules and boundaries around children's Internet usage is an important aspect of keeping them safe on-line.

Online training for parents is also available on:

<http://www.npc.ie/training.aspx?contentid=9230>

**IRISH DANCING**

Irish dancing with Sinéad Cahill started on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> January and will progress until Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> March. As well as learning the basic steps and traditional Irish dances, the children are learning to use modern dance styles like hip hop in their warm-up and cool down routines.

**CHLOE'S BADMINTON SUCCESS**

**By Chloe Nolan, 6<sup>th</sup> Class**

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of January, I went to U.L. to play and represent Tipperary in badminton. I was playing on the U13 team and was proud to be part of a strong group. There were 5 girls and 5 boys on my team. Tipperary also entered an U11, U15 and U17 team.

I played in the singles and doubles competition. My team played against Kerry, Clare, and Waterford. They were all very worthy opponents. However, we won all our games and as a result we are now going to play in the All Ireland's. Our coach is Paudie White and we are so grateful to him for his coaching and his commitment to making us the best badminton players that we can be.

The U13 team was delighted to have won because we have never won before.

The U17's also won so they are going to All Irelands too. Their coach is PJ Nolan.

Sadly the U11 and U15 teams did not progress although they gave it their best. Overall, we all had a brilliant day and are looking forward to playing the All Ireland's soon.

**DROM NOTES!****TERMLY REMINDERS**

- ★ The school will open to receive pupils at 9.20a.m. and close at 3.00p.m. Children are supervised in the school grounds between 9.10a.m. and 9.20a.m. The Board of Management accepts no responsibility for pupils before 9.10a.m. and entry to the school grounds prior to this time is not permitted.
- ★ The school uniform is as follows: A blue jumper, light blue shirt, grey trousers / skirt / pinafore and a blue tie. The school tracksuit is navy with the school crest. Jerseys, everyday clothing and branded clothing are not permitted in the school. We ask that the school uniform policy is respected by all those in our school community to ensure fairness for all students.
- ★ The school asks students to bring a healthy lunch to school. All food items should be brought to school in a lunch box. Children are discouraged from using tin foil, cling film and plastic bags to wrap food items. All lunch litter must be returned home for disposal.
- ★ Please take the time to talk to your child about good hygiene habits particularly in this season of coughs and colds. Please also see the attached note regarding headlice.

**A STAR IN THE MAKING!**

**By Jonah Ryan, 6<sup>th</sup> Class**

The Centre for Talented Youth in Ireland recently held their first ever online course from November to early December last year. The course provided participants with an opportunity to learn how to write stories and scripts properly. Students also learned how to create sound effects out of everyday objects and finally how to get over nerves in front of a crowd. Only 14 children in Ireland had a place on the course, one of which was Jonah Ryan from 6<sup>th</sup> class.. Well done Jonah. Perhaps we will see you in LA at the Oscars in years to come.

**CREDIT UNION QUIZ**

**By Sarah O'Brien, Rachel Ryan and Abbie Stapleton, 6<sup>th</sup> Class**

On the 27<sup>th</sup> January, two teams went to compete in the Credit Union Quiz in the Templemore Arms. On the Senior Team was Abbie Stapleton, Rachel Ryan, Sarah O'Brien and Jonah Ryan with April Glasheen, Maeve Healion, Daragh Ryan and TJ Kinnane making up the Junior Team.

There was a wide range of questions - with some simple and some more challenging questions coming our way. Both teams tried their best and grew in confidence as the quiz went on. When the final round was over the senior team were unfortunate to fall into 4<sup>th</sup> place, just one off the top 3 while the junior team placed 7<sup>th</sup> overall. Well done to all involved.