

DROM News

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March Madness & Mayhem!



March has seen so many events take place in our school – Seachtain na Gaeilge, Engineers Week, participation in soccer and hurling competitions, a visit from Denis Kenny of Templemore Library and our cake sale in aid of the Irish Cancer Society. We are also busy preparing for upcoming events such as matches in both hurling and camogie, the First Holy Communion ceremony and the National Spring Clean which we hope to take part in on April 7th. After all that activity, we will look forward to our Easter break and of course a visit from the Easter bunny with many tasty treats.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- U13 Camogie: 5th April @ 12.30pm in The Ragg.
- National Spring Clean: Friday, 7th April in Drom N.S. and Drom Community.
- Easter Holidays: Friday, 7th April @ 3PM. Return to school: Monday, 24th April @ 9.20AM
- 'Magical World of Fairies' exhibition in Templemore Library for month of April
- Sports with Martin Walsh: Starts Wednesday, April 26th 2017
- School Gardening Programme: Starts Thursday, April 27th 2017
- First Holy Communion Ceremony: Sunday, 14th May 2015.

The top picture shows the children of Junior Infants, Senior Infants and First Class as they listened intently to Denis Kenny of Templemore Library. Laughter filled the air as the children listened to stories of Horrid Henry and Fionn Mac Cumhaill.

The bottom picture shows Drom National School's cake sale in aid of the Irish Cancer Society which raised a massive €390 for this very worthy cause. Well done to the children, their parents / guardians and the community for all their help and support.



**ENGINEERS WEEK – BLOODHOUND
SUPERSONIC CAR**

On Tuesday 7th March, Fifth and Sixth class went to LIT in Thurles to an Engineering workshop. We left the school at 9:30am to go to Thurles. Once we arrived we were taken into the lecture hall where the workshop was held. Many schools attended the workshop. It started off with the engineer talking about the evolution of cars. He then picked some people for demonstrations on their project 'Bloodhound'. Bloodhound is a car that is being built to break the world's land speed record, aiming for a record breaking speed of 1,050 miles per hour. We were shown a video of the previous land speed record being broken by 'The Thrust 2'. It was so fast, that it was almost impossible to catch as it zoomed past. Andy Green was the driver of The Thrust 2, and will also be the driver of Bloodhound. We learned a lot about cars and engineering. We were told that we could be future engineers if we put our minds to it. It was a very educational experience and everyone really enjoyed it.

**SDAR FAI PRIMARY SCHOOL SOCCER
5'S**

Tuesday 28th March saw us travel to Two-Mile Borris to play a soccer blitz. The team was James Ryan, Keith Cawley, Chloe Nolan, Abbie Stapleton, Geena Quinlan, Joey Black, David Kinane and TJ Kinnane. We played four matches. Our opponents were Tommevara, Upperchurch, Gortagarry and The Sacred Heart, Roscrea. Our first match was against Toomevara, who proved to be a hard team to beat. We tried very hard, but sadly Tommevara won the match. Next, we played Upperchurch. We performed a lot better against Upperchurch and the final score was 8 – 1. Our third match was against Gortagarry. They won by 7 goals. Our last match was against Roscrea. We were victorious over Roscrea. We all enjoyed the day and were happy with the results. We would like to thank Larry Stapleton for all the work he did with us on the day.

U13 HURLING

Drom NS v Littleton NS

On Friday, 31st March, Drom NS U13 Boys played a hurling match at home against Littleton NS. The team was Joey Black, Daragh Ryan, David Kinane, James Ryan, TJ Kinnane, Ryan Coleman, Julian Stapleton, Sean Barry, Keith Cawley and Jonah Ryan. The game was very level to start with and everyone was playing at their best. However, Littleton were a very strong team and took the lead. TJ Kinnane scored a goal and two points for Drom NS and David Kinane scored a point. Unfortunately with the horrible weather and our excellent opponents, it was not our day.

GREEN SCHOOLS

We are continuing to work on the theme of Water this year in the hope of getting our green flag for Water next year. We are also working on maintaining our flags for the theme of Litter and Waste and the theme of Energy.

On Friday 7th April, we will carry out our annual Spring Clean. This year we will also enter the Tidy Schools Competition. We have been very successful in this competition in recent years and are determined to keep this up. You can help by keeping our school environs and community clean and by reducing waste packaging in lunch boxes.

LIVELY LIBRARIAN

On the 29th March, we had an exciting visit from Denis Kenny - a librarian from Templemore Library. He spoke to us about the benefits of joining the library. Denis read some stories to us including The Giant's Baby, Spider School and Kid's Night In. Denis was a great reader and he got stuck in to the stories adding funny and exciting sound effects. Both students and teachers enjoyed these fun, thrilling and lively stories! Check out <http://www.tipperarylibraries.ie/>



DROM NOTES!



BOARD OF MANAGEMENT NOTES

The following policies were approved by the Board of Management: History, Music, Visual Arts, Mobile Phone Policy, School Visitor Policy, Swimming Policy, Emergency Closure Policy, Equality and Gender Policy, Critical Incidence Policy, Substance Use Policy, Healthy Eating Policy and Homework Policy. These policies will be available to view shortly on www.dromns.com or can be requested in hard copy by phoning the school office on (0504) 51688 on Monday, Wednesday or Friday between 9.30am and 11.30am.

BASKETBALL WITH MARTIN WALSH

Games with Martin Walsh will begin on Wednesday, April 26th. We would ask for a contribution of €1.50 per student per week. Children should wear their tracksuit on Wednesday for games and Friday for hurling from April 26th.

SCHOOL GARDENING PROGRAMME

After Easter, the children will start their school gardening programme which is being kindly facilitated by Ms. Bronagh Delargy. If children have gardening gloves, they should bring them to school on Thursday on their assigned week for gardening.

CARD NIGHT

Drom NS will hold a Progressive 25 Drive in Drom Community Hall on 17th May 2017 to raise funds for the school computer room. We will be asking each family to sell 5 tickets each for this special night. More details will follow the Easter holidays.

HEADLICE

Parents / Guardians provided great support to the school's efforts to deal with a small number of cases of headlice in our school. We would ask you to continue to check your child regularly for headlice and report cases of headlice to the school. Please ensure that long hair is tied up and that your child has their own helmet for hurling training each week. For hygiene reasons we cannot continue to provide school helmets. We would also ask you to highlight this issue with clubs, societies, child minders and other such organisations where children are in contact with other children. Thank you for your continued support.