

DROM News

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Drom National School Junior Infants 2015 – 2016

Welcome back to another year at Drom National School. A particularly warm welcome to our new students. Six new children started school for the first time. They were Orla McGrath, Isobella Ryan, Audrey Bourke, Amber O' Brien, Ava Glasheen and Grace Ryan. We also welcomed Julia McHugh to our school. We hope we will have a good year and look forward to learning lots of new things and making many new friends.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Drom NS V St. Isidore's NS, Boherlahan : 25th Sept.
- Tipperary Cross County Championship: Thurles Crokes' Complex: Wed., 30th Sept. after 12p.m.
- Tree Day Ireland: 8th Oct.
- Maths Week Ireland: 10th – 18th Oct.
- Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal: 28th Sept. – 23rd Oct.
- Clothing collection: 19th Nov. prior to 12pm.

MATHS WEEK IRELAND

Maths Week Ireland will take place from October 10th to October 18th. In our school we will take part in many fun maths activities including maths trails, maths quizzes and maths games. We will also be asking our parent community to become involved by taking part in our Maths Week challenge. More about this wonderful 'addition' to our school year in October.



CLOTHING COLLECTION (SEE POSTER)

We will hold a clothing collection in our school throughout October in order to raise funds to cover the cost of school transport i.e. transport to athletics meetings, hurling and football fixtures etc. The clothing will be collected on Thursday, 19th November. We would ask that all clothing donations would be in the school prior to 12pm on this date. We have always had a great response to our clothing collections in the school and hope this time will be no different. Thank you for your support.

TEAM HOPE CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL (SEE POSTER)

Once again, the school is taking part in the Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal. Leaflets will be distributed to all children in the coming weeks. Please ensure that boxes are returned to the school before Friday 23rd October.

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE AND NATIVITY

This year, the children from Junior Infants to Sixth Class will take part in a carol service and nativity play in St. Mary's Church, Drom. The carol service will take place prior to the Christmas holidays. The carol service and nativity will be directed by our music teacher, Ms. Avril Kinane and each of the class teachers. More details will follow closer to the date.

CARING EMMA

Recently, Emma Cody, a 6th Class student, cut her beautiful long hair in order to donate it to the Rapunzel Foundation. The Rapunzel Foundation is an organisation which helps people with hair loss through providing information, sharing stories and through the collection of pony tails for the manufacture of natural hair wigs. We are immensely proud of Emma's caring actions. It is testament to this wonderful young lady's character that she has made such a personal sacrifice for the sake of others. Well done, Emma!

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Each year, the school seeks to look at how it is progressing in a particular area of learning and where necessary to put in place a plan to improve learning in that particular area. This year the school will evaluate learning in Irish.

PARENTAL CONCERNS

Should you have any concerns about your child's progress please contact your child's teacher in the first instance. Your child's teacher is best placed to speak with you about your child's progress. 'Ag Fás le Chéile – Growing together.'

IRELAND 2016 CENTENARY PROGRAMME

Our school is due to receive an Irish flag from the Defence Forces on Monday, 28th September 2015. We invite parents and members of our community to join us for this event.

The format for the visit is as follows

- Arrival of the Defence Forces team at the school: welcome and introductory remarks.
- The 1916 Proclamation in context.
- Reading of the Proclamation, with a nominated pupil (or pupils) reading a pre-selected extract.
- The National Flag – Q&A for the students on our Flag.
- Flag Protocols – how we should care for our National Flag
- Presentation of the Flag to an appointed person (a pupil, representative from the school or Principal).

Please arrive to Ms. Butler's room (at the top of the ramp) before 9.25am to ensure that the presentation can start promptly.

The ceremony will take approximately 30 minutes.

DROM NS - NEW SECRETARY

The school extends a warm welcome to our new secretary, Ms. Breda O' Dwyer. Breda will be available to deal with queries from parents / guardians between 9.10am and 11.10am during school term on (0504) 51688.

CROKE PARK HOURS

The provisions of the Croke Park Public Service Agreement provides for an additional 36 hours per school year per teacher at primary level. The Board of Management of Drom National School designates the use of the 36 hours to provide additional time to deal with the following items: school planning, professional development and pre-school supervision.