

DROM News

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Drom National School Junior Infants 2018 - 2019

Welcome back to another year at Drom National School. A particularly warm welcome to our new students. Seven new children started in Drom National School this year, with five of those starting in Junior Infants and the remaining two coming to us all the way from Abu Dhabi. Our new students are Sadhb Walsh, Clodagh Ryan, Daniel Coleman, Ardit O' Meara-Dani, Jack Cleary, Ailish Ryan and Aoife Ryan. We are delighted also to welcome many new families to our school community and hope that our school can continue to grow and be an integral part of Drom community into the future. With hard work and the support of those in our community the sky's the limit.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- FAI Soccer Blitz: 3rd & 4th Class Boys: Peake Villa, Thurles: 3rd Oct. 2018 btw 10am and 1pm
- Athletics Club: 3rd – 6th Class: Each Thurs. lunchtime in Term 1: Ms. Moore-Walsh: Starts 4th Oct. 2018
- National Tree Day Ireland: 4th Oct. 2018
- Space Week Ireland: 4th Oct. 2018 – 10th Oct. 2018
- Quiz Club: 3rd – 6th Class: Each Wed. lunchtime in Term 1: Ms. Moore-Walsh's Room. Starts 10th Oct. 2018
- Maths Week Ireland: 13th – 21st Oct.
- Friendship Week: 22nd – 26th Oct.
- Computer Workshop in association with IT Tallaght: Fri., 30th Nov. 2018
- NO SCHOOL: Fri. Oct 26th 2018: Polling Station
- Mid-Term Break: School closes on Thurs. 25th Oct. 2018 @ 3pm. School re-opens on Mon. Nov. 5th @ 9.20am.

MATHS WEEK IRELAND

Maths Week Ireland will take place from October 13th to October 21st. 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 so keep an eye on our school website in the coming weeks!



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 9th November.

SWIMMING

The school has applied for permission to use the Garda College swimming pool in Term 2 this year. We will inform parents / guardians in due course if our application is successful.

ATHLETICS

On Wednesday, 26th September 2018, students from 3rd to 6th Class attended the Tipperary Cross Country Championship in the Thurles Crokes Complex. With help from Ms. Moore-Walsh, Ms. Hackett and Mr. Maloney, the children trained each day for this event and their hard work paid off. All children put in spectacular performances and were complemented on their behaviour both on and off the track. Cormac Healion won an individual medal while others improved their placing several places on last year. Well done to all involved. We are proud of your efforts and delighted with your success. Individual results can be found on <http://www.tipperaryathletics.com/results/2018/Co.%20Tippeary%20Primary%20Schools%20Cross%20Country%20Results%202018.pdf>. A link to this can also be found on the school website.

SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN EVENINGS 2018 - 2019

A list of open evenings for secondary schools in Thurles, Templemore and Borrisoleigh has been published on our school website alongside the website addresses of these schools. Please contact the individual schools for further details.

FAREWELL

In recent times, we have had to say farewell to our cleaner, Ms. Edite Rauzenberga and our secretary Ms. Breda O'Dwyer. We are so honoured to have known and worked alongside these outstanding people and thank them most sincerely for their kindness, professionalism and friendship. We wish them health and happiness for the future.

U13 FOOTBALL BLITZ: APRIL GLASHEEN

On Friday, 28th September, the children of 4th, 5th and 6th class travelled to The Ragg GAA field to participate in a Gaelic football blitz. We first played Barnane and were not successful. We then went on to play Inch. Although, we gave it our all, we lost to them. Then on to Ballycahill, who were very strong and won their match. Templetuohy were our last opponents. We were determined to go out with a bang and so it was that we emerged victorious from our final game. Our thanks to the teachers who organised the match and to Mr. Maloney and Ms. Hackett who travelled with us on the day.

HOW LUCKY I
AM TO HAVE
KNOWN
SOMEONE WHO
WAS SO HARD
TO SAY
GOODBYE TO.

The Irish Quorum

SCHOOL UNIFORM & TRACKSUIT

In Term 1, students should wear their school uniform on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The school tracksuit should be worn on Thursday and Friday. In particularly cold weather, we suggest that girls wear heavy tights or a grey trousers if available.

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. Please do not use the school email to contact teachers about individual children.

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, staff meetings and pre-school supervision.

HANDY TIPS!

- As we approach winter, we would ask that all students bring a coat to school. With our unpredictable weather, we must prepare for all eventualities.
- We would ask parents / guardians of children with extra care needs regarding the toilet to provide them with a small bag containing a change of clothing (Similar in colour to the school uniform) including underwear and socks. This will be stored in the classroom and can be accessed by the child in case of an accident. In this way, the child is comfortable in their own clothing.
- In order to ensure the safety of the children, please leave a space for the bus to park outside the school bus gate.
- In Term 1, the children take part in Gaelic Football training. We would ask that children bring a pair of old runners or studded boots to school for training along with a spare pair of socks and gum shields.
- 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 STRICTLY FORBIDDEN

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The Templemore U14 girls recently took part in the All Ireland U14 7 a side Gaelic Football competition and won the All Ireland plate. A past pupil of ours, Abbie Stapleton, is a member of the squad and paid us a visit to celebrate this wonderful achievement.



Having fun in the sun at the Tipperary Cross Country Championship in the Thurles Crokes' Complex on 26th September 2018