

# DROM News

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**DROM'S FAVOURITE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

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## March Madness & Mayhem!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- U11 Hurling Blitz: Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> April 2019: From 11am: Littleton
- National Spring Clean: Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> April 2019: Drom NS and Drom Community
- Bake Sale in aid of Trócaire: 12<sup>th</sup> April 2019: 9.30am – 11.00am: Drom NS
- Easter Holidays: 15<sup>th</sup> April 2019 – 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019.
- Computer and Coding Classes for 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Class: Starts Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019
- Games with Martin Walsh: Starts Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> May 2019.
- Closing date for Student Registration Forms: New Entrants Only: 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2019.
- May Bank Holiday: NO SCHOOL: 6<sup>th</sup> May 2019
- Active Schools' Week: 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019 – 10<sup>th</sup> May 2019
- First Holy Communion Ceremony: Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019.
- Polling Station: NO SCHOOL: 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019
- Primary School Experience: New Entrants: 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019
- Senior School Tour: 18<sup>th</sup> June 2019
- Annual Sports Day: 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019



**. SEACHTAIN NA GAELIGE**

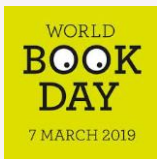
For Seachtain na Gaeilge this year, the students of 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Class focused on learning a new phrase each day. This proved very useful as it helped them to revise what they had already covered and helped them to learn some new useful phrases. We are also in the process of learning our national anthem, Amhrán na bhFiann, so that we can be in full voice for upcoming hurling and football matches. Maith sibh go léir.

**PANCAKE TUESDAY**

On Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019, beautiful aromas wafted through the halls as teachers prepared pancakes with a wonderful array of toppings for the children. Whilst it proved slightly messy, a great time was had by all.

**WORLD BOOK DAY**

World Book Day took place on Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019. To mark this special day in our school, students from the senior classes were paired up with students from the junior classes to read some favourite books to one another. It was truly magical to see the children come together to enjoy reading and discussing books. Check out some of the pictures from the day on the next pages.



**U13 HURLING BLITZ**

Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup>, March 2019 saw the students of 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Class travel to Templetohy to take part in an U13 Blitz against Barnane and Templetohy.

Our opening game was against Barnane National School. Despite valiant efforts by the team, we ended our first game with a defeat to our neighbouring school. This was followed by a real battle with Templetohy. Unfortunately, luck was not on our side on this occasion either as we finished with a narrow 2-point defeat to Holy Family National School.

The players gave it everything and the school couldn't have asked for better effort, attitude and application by all involved. The team that represented Drom National School was:

Goalkeeper

1. Ryan C.

Backs

2. James

3. April

Midfield

4. TJ

5. Corbin

Forwards

6. Liam

7. Ciara

Substitutes

8. Ryan N.

9. David

Sincere thanks to Ambrose Purcell and Jonathan O' Connor for all their hard work preparing the students for the blitz. We are very grateful.



**DROM NOTES!**



**CONTACT DETAILS**

To ensure that you receive text messages from the Text-A-Parent system and school emails, including monthly copies of Drom News newsletter, please ensure that the school has your current contact details e.g. phone number and email. The school secretary, Debbie, can be contacted on (0504) 51688 on Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning should you need to update your contact details.

**SCHOOL UNIFORM**

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 would ask that the school tracksuit be worn only on days on which the children have sport. Following the Easter holidays, the school tracksuit should be worn on Wednesday for Games with Martin Walsh and Friday for GAA training with Ambrose Purcell.

**GAMES WITH MARTIN WALSH**

Games with Martin Walsh will begin on Wednesday, May, 1<sup>st</sup>. We would ask for a contribution of €1.50 per student per week. Children will receive instruction in basketball, athletics and speed, agility and quickness training.

**COMMUNION CHOIR**

The First Communion Ceremony will take place on Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019 in St. Mary's Church, Drom at 10.30am. As always, we would ask for students from 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Class to participate in the choir for this special event.

**CLASS ALLOCATION 2019 / 2020**

The classes will remain as they were for the current year.  
 Junior Infants & Senior Infants: Ms. C. Scanlan  
 First, Second, Third Class: Ms. M. Butler  
 Fourth, Fifth, Sixth Class: Ms. A. Moore-Walsh

**SCHOOL BUS SCHEME**

**The closing date for applications for school transport for the new school year 2019/20 is Friday, 26 April 2019. Please apply on [www.buseireann.ie](http://www.buseireann.ie)**

**GREEN SCHOOLS**

On Thursday, 11th April, we will carry out our annual Spring Clean. This year we will also enter the Environmental 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.



**RELATIONSHIP AND SEXUALITY EDUCATION TALK**

As part of the Relationship and Sexuality Education (RSE) Policy of Drom N.S. we have engaged Ms. Mary Dillon to present the Relationship and Sexuality Education Programme to our 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Class pupils. Ms. Dillon will attend on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019.

An information evening for parent(s) / guardian(s) of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Class pupils will take place at 7.00pm on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019 in the school.

The parent / guardian presentation will endeavor to explain the context within which RSE is taught on the school curriculum. It also seeks to encourage and support you in your role as parents and guardians and to assure you of the sensitive and informative approach which will be taken with your children in the school setting.

We would encourage all parents / guardians of 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Class students to attend and look forward to seeing you there.

**ACTIVE SCHOOLS WEEK**

This year's Active Schools Week takes place from 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019 – 10<sup>th</sup> May 2019. During Active Schools Week, we swop the uniform for the tracksuit and PE homework replaces written homework. Some interesting events will also take place in school. Let's just say, have the wellies to the ready!

**ASSESSMENTS**

Annual assessments will take place from 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019 – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019. Good attendance during this time is important.

**SENIOR SCHOOL TOUR**

The senior school tour will take place on Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> June 2019 in University of Limerick in association with Adventure World Camps. The cost of the tour is €35 per student which includes a trip to Burger King. Students from 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Class will attend. More information is available on <http://www.adventureworldcamps.com/school-tours/venues/>

**CALLING ALL CHILDMINDERS!**

From time to time, the school gets queries regarding childminders in the local area. If you would like your name to be included in a list of local childminders or know someone who might be interested please contact the school or ask the interested person to contact the school by email on [dromns@hotmail.com](mailto:dromns@hotmail.com) or with a short note detailing the name of the child minder and a contact telephone number. A list will subsequently be drawn up and given to the parents / guardians of new entrants upon request.

**A VISIT FROM THE FIRE SERVICE!**

On Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> March 2019, a loud siren signalled the arrival of two firefighters from Templemore Fire Station to Drom National School. They had come to the school to speak to the children about Fire Safety.

Firstly, the officers spoke to the children about the fire hazards that exist in a home. These include:

- Candles left unattended.
- Matches left where children can reach them
- Cooking appliances.
- Overloaded sockets.
- Electrical appliances such as televisions left on overnight.
- Cigarettes stubs.

Then the officers spoke to the children about how to prevent a fire in the home and what to do if a fire started in their home.

The officers taught the children how to make an emergency call and encouraged them to keep their postcode by the phone in case of emergencies.

Finally, the officers demonstrated the STOP, DROP and ROLL technique for times when a person's clothing may catch fire.

**EMERGENCY NUMBERS:  
999 or 112.**

Thank you to our Fire Fighting Friends!



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# Donncha's TWO TALENTED

**TALENTED YOUNG PERFORMERS WANTED!**

**DONNCHA'S TWO TALENTED IS BACK**

Do you have a talented youngster aged 5-11 years who sings, dances or even plays the ukulele? Would you have the nerve to join them on stage?

Youngsters will showcase their talent, before taking on the challenge of mentoring their chosen adult family member to perform with them on the big stage. No judges, no competition, just the best talent Ireland's young stars (and their chosen grown ups!) have to offer.

Closing date for applications  
10th of April 2019

**APPLY NOW**

Apply now at:  
<https://adare.submit.com>

For more information contact 01 284-3877 or visit the RTÉjr website

## COLORING COMPETITION



**WIN A FAMILY TICKET TO COME SEE**

**'EGG AND SPOON' CHILDREN'S SHOW AT THE SOURCE ARTS CENTRE**

**FRIDAY 26 APRIL 11AM**

Write your name, age and a grown up's contact number on the back of this page and drop it into the Source Box Office

Winner announced Tuesday 23 April

[www.thesourceartscentre.ie](http://www.thesourceartscentre.ie)

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