

# DROM News

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## Amazing April to Magnificent May

### Communion Class 22/23



The picture shows the boys and girls of 2<sup>nd</sup> Class in Drom National School who received their Communion on Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023. The children were truly the pride of the parish and a credit to both their school, their parents / guardians, their families and their parish.

This month we have a bumper issue for our readers filled with news of ceremonies and activities in our school, sporting events and upcoming dates for your diary.

We look forward to June which will see us enjoy our school tour in Castlecomer. We also look forward to welcoming our new Junior Infants to primary school for a day. We will celebrate our Sixth Class Graduation Mass and travel to Microsoft Dream Space in Dublin. Our annual Active Schools Week will take place in the week before our summer holidays, with a jam-packed line-up that's sure to be a hit with the children. We hope you enjoy reading all about our adventures since Easter! Don't forget to visit our Twitter page, @dromns1, for all the latest news from Drom National School.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Thurs., 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023: School tour to Castlecomer.
- Mon., 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023: June Bank Holiday: NO SCHOOL
- Tues., 6<sup>th</sup> June 2023: Junior Blitz in Loughmore.
- Fri., 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023: Reports will be sent home with children.
- Mon, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023: Primary School Experience for New Junior Infants
- Mon. 12<sup>th</sup> June – Fri. 16<sup>th</sup> June 2023: Active Schools Week / Cumann na mBunscol Week (See Calendar of Events)
- 13<sup>th</sup> June 2023: Junior Class visit Templemore Fire Station.
- 14<sup>th</sup> June 2023: Sixth Class Graduation Mass, St. Mary's Church, Drom @ 10am.
- 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023: Whole School bids our traditional farewell to 6<sup>th</sup> Class @ 1.40pm.
- 16<sup>th</sup> June 2023: 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Class travel to Microsoft Dream Space, Dublin
- 16<sup>th</sup> June 2023: **SUMMER HOLIDAYS**
- 19<sup>th</sup> June 2023: Staff Meeting: NO SCHOOL

**CALENDAR 2023 – 2024**

The calendar for 2023 – 2024 has issued to each family. The school year will start on Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> August 2023 and end on Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> June 2023.

**CLASS ALLOCATIONS 2023 – 2024**

The class groupings for next year are as follows:

Junior & Senior Infants	Ms. Moore-Walsh
First, Second & Third Class	To be appointed
Fourth, Fifth & Sixth Class	Ms. Butler

After three wonderful years, Ms. Dervan will leave us as she seeks to move closer to home. We thank Ms. Dervan for her dedication, her passion and energy and her deep care for the children of the school. She will be greatly missed and we wish her every success in her future.

**FREE BOOK SCHEME**

In recognition of the cost of preparing children and young people for the return to primary school each September Minister for Education Norma Foley T.D. has announced funding to provide free schoolbooks, including workbooks and copybooks, from September 2023. This scheme will eliminate the cost to parents of providing these resources. Funding is being provided directly to primary schools and special schools by the Department to implement the scheme and schools will now have responsibility for providing schoolbooks, workbooks and copybooks to all children and young people at the start of the school year. All schoolbooks will remain the property of the school so that books can be reused in future years. Schoolbooks will be provided on loan to children and young people for the duration of the 2023/24 school year and must be returned to school at the end of the school year.

**SAY YES TO LANGUAGES**

On Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023, the children of 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Class travelled to Our Lady's Secondary School in Templemore to conclude their hugely successful 'Say Yes to Languages' German program. What a 'willkommen' we got. The children enjoyed a German language lesson, played an interactive quiz and were treated to incredible 'Schultüte' packed with goodies to bring home. Our sincere thanks to Mr Paul Fogarty for welcoming us to Our Lady's, to Ms. Emily Bergin for organising our wonderful visit, to Mr. Leamy who taught the most fantastic lesson and to the transition years students who helped to make the experience so magical! A special word of thanks to Ms. Enya Leahy for the work she has done throughout February and March teaching German to the children in our school. This has provided them with an incredible introduction to languages and we hope has inspired them to learn even more in the future.

**NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN**

This year, children from Junior Infants to Sixth Class took part in the National Spring Clean. Each classroom was responsible for a different zone in the school and the village. The teachers spoke to the children about safety and highlighted possible dangers before we left. Then we collected the relevant equipment for the task ahead – bags, gloves, litter pickers and brushes etc. We were delighted with our efforts and everyone agreed it had been a successful day. Our village sparkled after all our hard work so we hope that all can keep it up! Well done to all involved.

**DILLON QUIRKE FOUNDATION**

We are delighted to share with our school community that we raised an amazing €264 for the Dillon Quirke Foundation with the Tipperary Cumann na mBunscol Jersey Day just before Easter! We wish them every success with their endeavours.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Congratulations to Annie Ryan, Mairéad-Kate Barry, Georgia Maher, Chloe Kiely, Martin Kennedy, Cathal Kennedy and Tom Cahill – our super seven from 2<sup>nd</sup> Class who received their First Holy Communion on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

**FIREFIGHTING HEROES IN DROM NS**

We were delighted to welcome our firefighting heroes, Eddie Scully and Patrick Clavin, to our school from Templemore Fire Station, to speak to the children about how to prevent fires in the home and what to do in the event of a fire. The firefighters spoke to the children about the importance of making a plan in the case of fire. Central to this plan is knowing how to contact the Emergency Services and knowing your Eircode so that firefighters can find your home quickly in the event of fire. The children had great fun learning about fire safety, testing the infrared thermal imaging camera and practising how to Stop, Drop and Roll. Of course, it wouldn't be a visit from Templemore Fire Station without hearing the roar of a siren too!

**AMAZING AVA!**

We couldn't be prouder of senior student, Ava, who was awarded second place for her performance with the U12 Cill Shléibhe Grúpa Ceoil at last weekend's Fleadh Cheoil Thiobraid Árann. Her talent on the fiddle is sure to see her do her county so proud at the Munster Fleadh in Tralee in July. Wishing Ava and all representing Tipperary at the Munster Fleadh the very best! Up Tipp!



**CRINNIÚ NA NÓG**

**FREE Saturday 10th June 2023**  
**EVENTS Thurles Library Events**

10am - 11am Art & Crafts Workshop with CrazyArt By Mags ★  
 Ages 7+

10.15am-11.15am Go on a play & musical adventure with Ready2play movement & music session  
 Ages 0-6years

11.45am- 12.30pm Make a Kite for Cruinniú with Anyone4Science  
 Ages 9+

11.30am - 12.30pm Dance Workshop with Dwan Dance Academy  
 Ages 4-6 years

12.30pm - 1.30pm Music Making Workshop with Music Generation  
 Ages 7-10 years

1.45pm - 2.45pm Dance Workshop with Dwan Dance Academy ★  
 Ages 7-10 years

2.30pm-4pm Coding Workshop - An Introduction to Coding Corrib Kids Computer and Coding  
 Ages 10+

2.50pm-3.20 pm Story-time for U6's

3.30pm -4.30pm Science Show with the "Mad Professor"  
 Ages 7+

\* Please Note All Events are Bookable on 052-616-6131  
 \* All Children u7 must be accompanied for events



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Cruinniú  
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**U13 CAMOGIE BLITZ****By Clara Mockler, Aphra O'Connor & Grace Nolan**

On the 26th of April, we went to Templeouhy for the U13 Camogie Blitz. The blitz started at 10am. We played our first match against Templeouhy and our second match against Littleton. We won our match against Littleton and lost our match against Templeouhy.

Next, we played against Ballycahill, followed soon after by Barnane. We weren't successful in our matches against these teams, but we had a great day. We finished all of our matches at 2.00pm and on the way back we got a lovely surprise of a Freddo and a packet of crisps.

**U11 HURLING BLITZ****By Myra Shanahan, Cliona Cahill & Harlow Cawley**

The day started off by getting everything ready. We were so excited. We went out to the bus at quarter past 10. We got into our seats on the bus and put on our boots.

When we arrived at the match venue, we did some drills with Ms. Dervan. Our first match was against Templeouhy. We gave it our all, but sadly we lost. That said, our team showed great promise and there was not much difference in the score at the end of the match against a very strong team from Templeouhy. We then lost to our neighbouring school in the parish, Barnane. Fortunately, the day got better as we won our matches against Ballycahill and Castleiney. We look forward to building on our match performances next year and thank our trainer, Tony, for all that he has done for us this year.

**PARISH BLITZ - By Tadha Heaney, James Barry, Micheál Maher & TJ Collins**

On May 5, 2023, we had a parish blitz. The day started out on a disappointing note as the Coastguard helicopter was not able to visit us and it was raining. Later, however, it got better when the sun came out and the parish blitz got underway. The children from the three schools in the parish were there – Drom NS, Barnane NS and Inch NS. It was perfect! All the children in the parish had come to play and enjoy watching their national sport - hurling. There were 6 teams of about 8 in the U11 section and a similar number in the U13 category. After the blitz, we were exhausted but happy. Soon after that we got hot food in the hall. The whole day was brilliant!

**GAA SKILLS COMPETITION**

On the 5th of May 2023 6 students from Drom NS went to the annual skills competition in Dr Morris Park in Thurles. Tommy Bourke, James Barry and Daniel Coleman represented us in the hurling, while Sophie Kiely, Laura Ryan and Emma-Jane Maher represented us in the football competition.

Football:

First, when we arrived at Dr Morris Park, we put our boots on and got ready. Next, we went down to our section of the pitch and got our score sheet. We warmed up by kicking the football to each other and then we lined up in the soloing skill section. We each did this skill very well! Laura got 2/3, Emma Jane got 2/3 and Sophie got 3/3 in this skill. We then walked up to the next skill section, which was to rise the ball, solo and then kick it over the bar and we all got 3/3. When we had to kick the ball over the bar from 45m line with our dominant leg Sophie got 1/3 and Laura and Emma Jane got 1/3. Next, we did the skill 'hand passing the ball over the bar' and, Laura scored 1/3, whilst Emma-Jane and Sophie scored 3/3. We then started kicking the ball to each other and by accident Laura hurt Sophie, but she was okay! The line was so long for the final skill that we had to go to the other side of the pitch. The final skill was to catch the ball, turn and boot it over the cross bar. Emma-Jane got 0/3, Laura got 1/3 and Sophie got 1/3. In total the footballers got 27 points. Sophie was very kind and gave us all a packet of popcorn. We then took the scenic route home after all our hard work, and we were very proud.

Hurling:

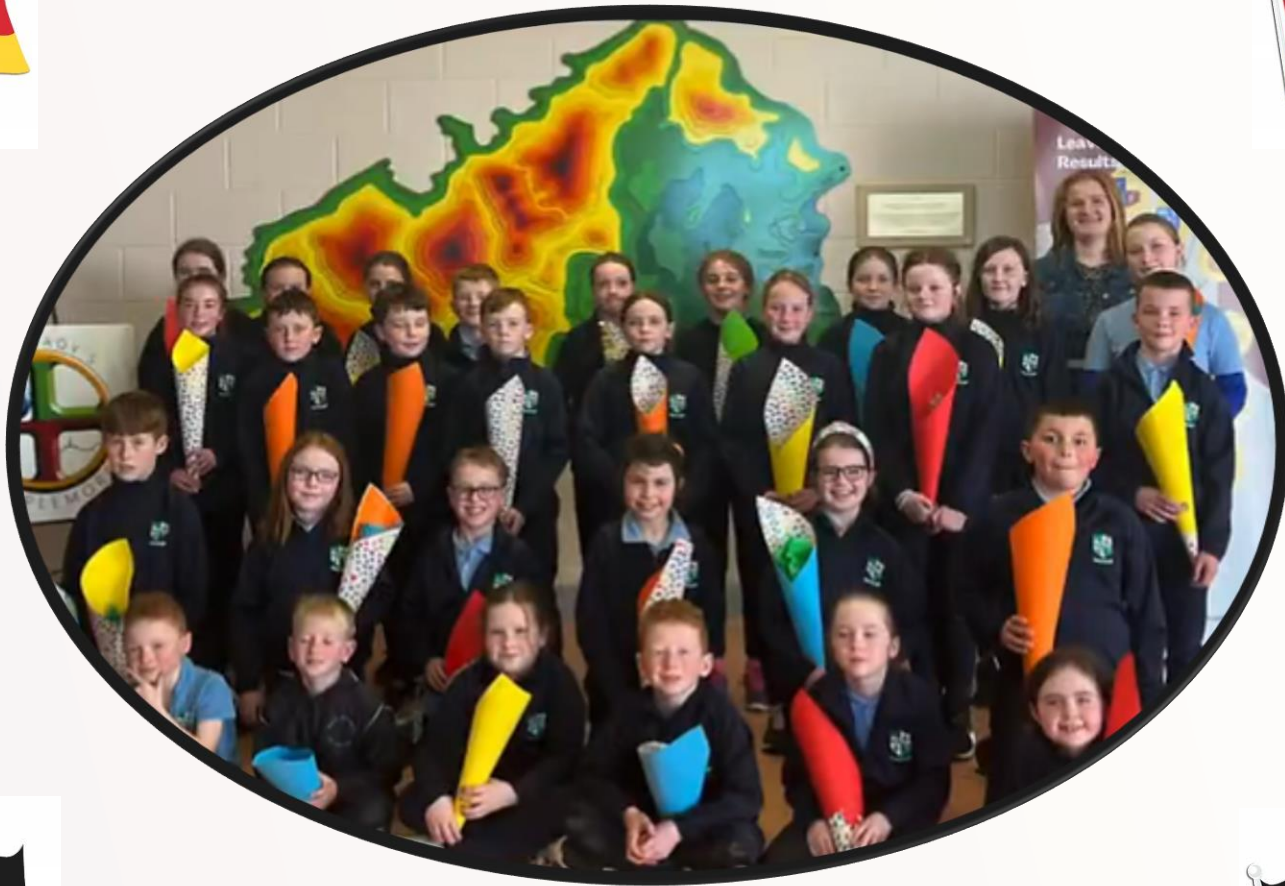
When we got there, we put on our jerseys and our boots and went onto the pitch and lined up for the first activity. It was sideline cuts. There were two on the edge and three in the middle. James and I missed all of them, but Daniel got one, so we were on three points. The next skill was soloing in and out of cones. In this skill, we each got ten out of ten

Then it was long pucks. I got the furthest. We also did soloing and hitting it over the bar. Unfortunately, I missed, as did James. Daniel however got one. We also had to hit the ball on the run - three on our bad side and three on our good side. I got six out of six as did James and Daniel.

Football- by Sophie Kiely, Emma- Jane Maher and Laura Ryan. Hurling- by Tommy Bourke

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# SAY YES TO LANGUAGES



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# GREEN SCHOOLS



**National Spring Clean**

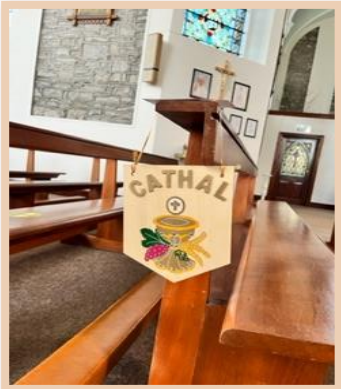


**Chiara Hanrahan tells us what we can do to travel in a way that is good for our environment.**



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# COMMUNION



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**GAA**



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# TEMPLEMORE FIRE STATION



**Junior Infants, Senior Infants & First Class**

**Second & Third Class with Eddle Scully and Patrick Clavin**

