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## Newsletter - June 2022



**Internet Safety Tip for Parents** - Remind your son to use Public Friendly Wi-Fi when they're out and about, to filter inappropriate content.



**Contributions** - We are hugely dependent on this contribution which helps the funding of the day to day running of the school, particularly in the light of the rising utility bills. Again, thanks to all who have paid recently. Contributions are welcome at any time. Please note that as we are a registered charity, any donations from individuals totalling over €250 in a given tax year will generate a welcome tax rebate for the school.



**SSE (School Self-Evaluation)** - During this last school year, we have been making great efforts to enhance the boys' oral language skills. The boys took part in a wide variety of activities this year to improve these skills - debating, oral language games/stations, poetry, tongue twisters, Storyteller's Word of the Day. Many thanks to all of the teachers who really made this possible with all their efforts! Next year our focus will be on writing.



**Discover Primary Science and Maths** - We have recently been awarded our 17<sup>th</sup> DPSM award. Congratulations to all of our pupils who worked so hard on this throughout the year. You can view the boys' fantastic Science and Maths work on our STEM website <http://www.haroldboysdalkey.ie/stem> . Enjoy!



**Religion** - Congratulations to the boys from Rang 2 who made their First Holy Communion on 1<sup>st</sup> May. We wish our boys from sixth class well for their Confirmation, which takes place on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 5.00pm.



**Well Being** - Many thanks to Ms Molloy for organising our 'Well Being Weeks'. So far, we've had Circus Skills workshops on Monday, Obstacle Course designed by 6<sup>th</sup> Class on Tuesday, Teddy's Ice-Cream treat on Wednesday, Wacky Dress Up on Thursday and our Soccerthon is on Friday. Next week, we can look forward to a visit from the National Reptile Zoo and we finish with Bodhrán Workshops for each class on Friday. Again, many thanks for your voluntary contributions and fund-raising by the PA to make these events possible for the boys.



**Green Schools' News** - The Green Schools' committee and students from different classes have been looking after our school garden recently with new planting in the wheelbarrow gardens at the front of the school and weeding of the flower beds. A big thank you to the boys and Ms O'Neill, Ms Fogarty and Marvin, our caretaker, for all their hard work in helping keep the school gardens in top shape



**Class Libraries** - We are in the process of upgrading our classroom libraries and would be delighted with donations of books that your boys have read and enjoyed but no longer wish to keep. Please send in to class teachers. Thank you!



**Texaco Art Competition** - Huge congratulations to Haochen Liao who was awarded a Special Merit Award in the 68<sup>th</sup> Texaco Children's Art Competition with his entry entitled 'My Dream House'. Haochen's entry is being exhibited at the Royal Ulster Academy of Arts in Belfast until 30<sup>th</sup> June.



**Food Dudes:** We are delighted to be taking part in the healthy eating programme Food Dudes. It began on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May, and so far, the boys have tasted bananas, peppers, blueberries, carrots, satsumas, cucumbers, apples & tomatoes. A special thanks to the four boys in Rang 6, Adam Byrne, Daragh Kral, Emmet Byrne & Gavyn Owens, who have been excellent helpers so far.



**Congratulations to all Scríobh Leabhar Winners:**

	<b>Gradam</b>
Rang 2	Mateo Breannáin Segura - <i>An Scoil</i>
Rang 3	Seán Kral - <i>Cola Coala</i>
Rang 4	Renz Tadique - <i>Ollphéist</i>
Rang 5	Crosby Ó Concobhair - <i>Mé Féin</i>
Rang 6	Peter Gavin - <i>The Black Pearl</i>



## Sports News -

- Our GAA, basketball and soccer coaching will continue into the month of June. Many thanks to our coaches Mark Brennan, Ed Randolph and Rory O' Hare.



- Best of luck to all of the boys who will be taking part in the **Soccerthon** on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. Thank you so much to all of you who sponsored the boys in our biggest (& last) fundraiser of the year. All monies raised will be used to upgrade the school environment for the boys. Money may be submitted through Aladdin or by returning cash to class teachers. (No coins please) All cards and monies to be returned by Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June.



- Congratulations to our Senior Gaelic Football Team who won this year's **Seán O'Gorman Shield** against the Harold Glashule. Well done boys!



- **Santry Athletics:** Well done to our Santry Athletics team who represented the school so well on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May. Huge congratulations to our medal winners - Eoin McCormick who came second in his sprint and our U14 relay team. It was a wonderful achievement, well done boys!

<u>Under 12s</u> - John Kavanagh, Jac Owens, Eoin McCormick, Rory Nolan, Tom O'Shea	<u>Under 14s</u> - Nicholas Moloney, Adam Byrne, Gavyn Owens, Jake Tran, Beau McCabe
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- **Basketball Tournament:** We are delighted to be welcoming Johnstown Boys N.S. to our school for a basketball tournament on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. Best of luck to our team from Rang 6.
- **Sports Day:** Our Annual Sports Day will take place on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June in Cuala (Weather permitting). Races will take place between 9.30 and 11.00am and parents and guardians are welcome to attend. Following the races, the boys will remain in Cuala with their teachers for a picnic lunch and games, and will return to school in time for prize-giving in the school yard at 2.00pm. Parents/guardians are invited to attend.



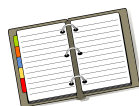
**School Tours** - The boys have been out and about, enjoying a wide variety of school outings including Croke Park, Glasnevin Cemetery, Dublin Literary Festival, DLR science workshops, and Van Gogh experience in the RDS, in addition to many local field trips to Cuala, Sandycove etc. They are all looking forward to the end of year trips to Jumpzone, Causey Farm and Clara Lara.



**Quiz Team:** We wish our 6<sup>th</sup> class quiz team every success in the forthcoming DLR Libraries Schools Quiz. Many thanks to Mr Smith for selecting and working with the team.

### **Geoir na Seachtaine:**

Rang 2	Fionn de Brún, Finnian Ó Murchú, Leon Mac Conluain, Seán Ó Dubhola
Rang 3	Lúca Gasparro, Eiric Ó Ríagáin, Toby Ó Faoláin, Rudy Ó Murchú
Rang 4	Éibhear McCallig, Renz Tadique, Tomás Maolchathaigh, Concobhar Mac Ráinigh Daniél
Rang 5	Séamus Giolla Bháin, Liam Ó Broin, Alsander Chuilleanáin, Daniel Ceallaigh
Rang 6	Gaibhín Ó hEoghain, Ruairí Ó Murchú, Eiméad Ó Broin, Ádam Ó Broin



### **Dates for Your Diary:**

June 13 <sup>th</sup>	Write a Book Awards Ceremony
June 20 <sup>th</sup>	Graduation for Sixth Class. Church of the Assumption 7.30 pm.
June 28 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Holidays - School closes at 12 noon

Le gach dea ghuí,

*Pauline Lennon*

Principal