St. Mary's S.N.S. Newsletter -



Welcome!

We were delighted to welcome all of our pupils back to school in August. We would like to say thank you to our parents for their support this term. We have almost completed all of our parent teacher meetings by phone or in person. Thank you also for your support of the 'Haunted House' visit and Dochás for organising. €210 was raised for the Cresslough fund.

12345 Maths Week 😽 👸 👳

Last week we celebrated 'Maths Week' in the school. All of the classes enjoyed playing maths games and doing maths trails. Every day, teachers awarded 'Maths Star' badges to pupils who made a big effort in maths lessons.

North Clondalkin Library

Classes have continued to visit the library every Wednesday. 6th class also enjoyed a visit from the author Judy Curtin last week. There are events on in the library every day during the Midterm. Check out our school Instagram for details or call into the library.

HSCL News

- Well done to all parents who have taken part in our **Parents Plus** programme facilitated by Deansrath Family Resource Centre.
- Have a look at our school **Instagram account**: <u>st.maryssns</u> and our school website: <u>stmarysrowlagh.ie</u> for news and photos.
- 'Walk on Wednesdays'. After mid-term, we will meet at 9:15am at the playground in Collinstown Park.
- School Completion Programme: Campus Clubs and after-school clubs are continuing after Halloween.
- All 6th class pupils have now applied for secondary schools and should be contacted by those schools in the coming weeks. For any questions on transfer, please call Anne Bower (01) 6267269.

Happy Halloween!

The school will be closed next week for mid-term break. We will reopen on **Monday 7th of November.**

Swimming

Some of our classes have just finished their swimming lessons this half-term and more classes will be beginning their lessons after the midterm.

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Pupils have been earning their bonus stamps every day and working towards their medals. The first bronze medals will be awarded after midterm.

Choir

Our school choir has resumed practising and performing. They performed at our school mass and have been working hard since. Thanks to Mr Heffelfinger and Ms Doherty who are leading the choir.



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teacher, Ms. King, teaching recorder to all of the classes this term. The lessons will continue after mid-term.

Healthy Lunches

As you know, our pupils are all offered a free, healthy lunch in school. If you are sending a lunch into school, please send a healthy lunch.

Halloween Safety

All pupils were given a Safety Talk this week by the Emergency Services. We hope all of our pupils follow their advice to keep safe over Halloween.

Soccer Blitz

Well done to our Girl's and Boy's football teams who played so well recently in the Dublin Bus Soccer Blitz competitions. The girls came 3rd and the boys came 2nd!! Well done to all for training so hard and playing so well as a team. Thanks to Ms Baker, Mr Moore and Mr Toye for training the teams.



A LOOK AROUND THE CLASSES...

3rd Class

This term third class were learning about report writing and wrote reports on their favourite animals. They drew some spooky Frankensteins for Halloween art. They had lots of fun during Maths Week and are learning about time and multiplication. Last week, they went to IMMA to see a film about their work in their school garden last year.

5th Class

Fifth class have had a busy few weeks! Mr Moore's and Ms Geoghegan's classes have finished their swimming lessons. They performed a Gaeilge poem in assembly. They also began learning to do long division in maths and are improving their reading in their guided reading groups. They have also been making Halloween art and listening to Halloween music.

4th Class

Fourth class went on a history trip this week to the Round Tower in the village. (see website) They have been working on recount writing and guided reading. In geography, they have been learning about counties and all about Clondalkin. They have also been looking at the Bronze Age and schools in the past. They have also been creating lots of Halloween art.

6th Class

Sixth class have been learning about the USA and doing their research projects of different US states. They have been writing procedures in English. Last week, they had a visit from author Judy Curtin and are reading her novel 'Lily Takes a Chance'. In maths, they have been learning about fractions and decimals. They have also been beginning to learn about coding.

