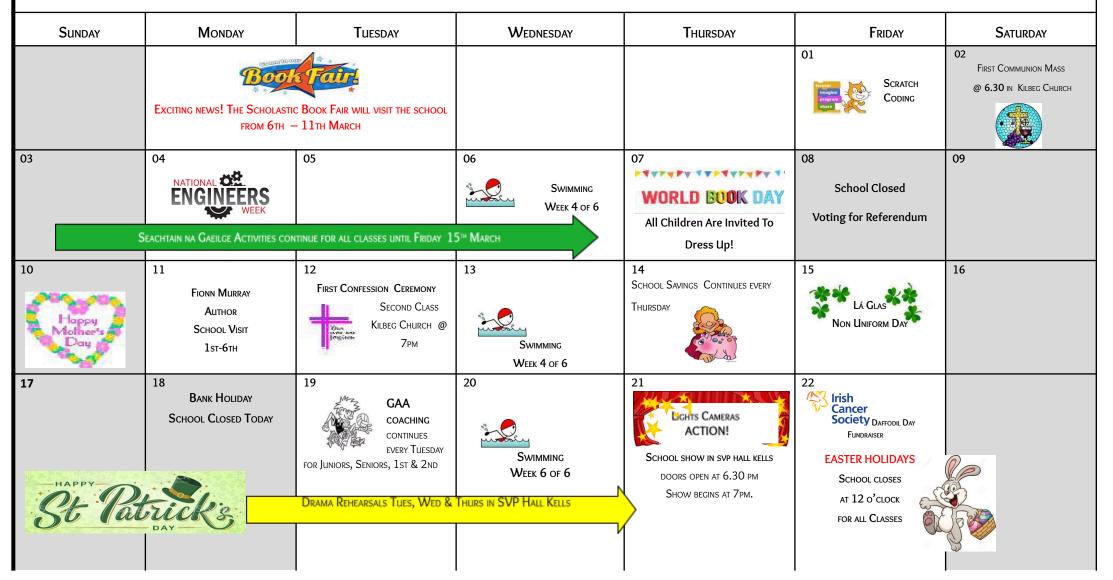


Scoil Mhuire Carlanstown March Newsletter 2024



SCHOOL CLOSED ON FRIDAY 8TH & MONDAY 18TH MARCH



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Newsletter



Seachtain na Gaeilge is a celebration of the Irish language and culture. This year, Seachtain na Gaeilge

lasts right up until St. Patrick's Day. Our school is committed to encouraging and stimulating the Irish language on a daily basis. To further promote the Irish language, a great effort is made during **Seachtain na Gaeilge which takes place from the 4th March in our school**.

Our pupils will take part in many fun activities at all class levels to promote the Irish language and culture. We will be recognising our 'Gaeilgeoir an Lae' in each class, celebrating the efforts our pupils make to use spoken Irish across the day. On Friday 15th March, we will celebrate the end of Seachtain na Gaeilge by inviting all our pupils to wear éadaí glas/green clothes and we will be having a ceolchoirm/concert among our classes. Check out the following links for more Irish programmes and activities .https://www.rte.ie/learn/seachtain-na-gaeilge-2022/ https://www.cula4.com/en/



General Congratulations to the boys & girls who took part in the Cumann Na mBunscol Mini Sevens Competition on 27th February & 29th February. Keep an eye on the website for updates from Ms Allen on the competition.

We are planning to teach the 'Relationships & Sexuality Programme' also known as the RSE programme to Junior Infants-6th Class after the Easter Break.

The RSE programme will be taught within the context of the SPHE curriculum for all class levels. RSE aims to provide opportunities for children to learn about relationships and sexuality in ways that help them think and act in a moral, caring and responsible way. Learning about sexuality and Relationships is a lifelong process. Children learn about relationships and sexuality primarily from their families. The school based RSE programme complements and supports what children are learning at home while reflecting the core values and ethos of the school. Full details of the programme will be sent home by letter later this month.

Parents Association

Our wonderful Parents Association is actively involved in supporting all of the children in our school through its, fundraising and support for school events. Regular meetings throughout the year foster good home/school links. Through consultation with the Board of Management the PA has earmarked financial support for purchase of an interactive panel to replace the interactive board in our Third/Fourth Class room. A reminder that our PA is for all families and all parents are welcome to attend meetings and have their voice heard.



March is an action filled month starting with the arrival of the Scholastic

Book Fair on Tuesday 5th March. We will host the Book Fair from 6th-11th March and we hope all our families will be able to visit the Book Fair over the course of the week. There will be lots of fantastic books for children from Juniors through to Sixth Class to enjoy. Purchasing books is completely optional. Our classes will visit the fair each day and engage in a range of reading activities including Buddy Reading between our Junior and Senior Classes. The Book Fair generates a fantastic buzz around books & reading!

Each class has a designated afternoon, from 2.00 - 3.15pm when parents of that class are invited to come along with your child/ren and purchase books. The children can use their World Book Day Tokens against any book they purchase. If sending money to school with your child, please place it in a sealed envelope with the amount clearly written on the outside and the titles they wish to buy

Wednesday 6th March – First Class/Second Class

Thursday 7th March - Junior & Senior Infants

Monday 11th March – Third & Fourth Tuesday 12th March – 5th & 6th Class

The Book Fair is also an excellent way to provide a wide variety of up to date reading material for our library as the school will receive 60% commission in free books from all sales. Every book you buy can help to get FREE BOOKS for



DAFFODIL DAY **2024** THE MOST IMPORTANT ONE YET!

On Friday 22nd March we will support the Irish Cancer Society's National Fundraising Day. Some of our senior pupils will be selling Daffodil pins and other merchandise from 9.30-1100 in the hall. We hope you will be able to support this very worthy cause!

The Irish Cancer Society hope it will be their biggest Daffodil Day yet and are hoping to raise \notin 4 million in funding to support their services and life-changing research. They are ensuring that every person affected by cancer in Ireland has the support they need, when they need it most.



As part of our STEM programme

co-ordinated by Ms Donohoe all our classes will participate in a range of activities to celebrate Engineers Week from the $4-7^{th}$ March. Keep an eye on the website for updates of Engineers Week Activities,



to everyone who supported our Pink and Red Fundraising

Day in February which raised \notin 206 towards school funds.

our Junior library & Accelerated Reader School Libraries.