

St. Louise de Marillac Primary School

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11ú –14ú Márta: *Seachtain na Gaeilge.*

Friday March 22nd: Junior Entrepreneur Showcase for 5th classes

School Spelling Bee

Monday April 1st: National Children's Choir performance in the National Basketball Arena, Tallaght.

Tuesday April 2nd: Spelling Bee Final in the Red Cow Inn.

Wed April 10th: Service of Light for confirmation girls in St. Matthew's Church at 7:30pm.

Thurs April 11th: First Penance in St. Matthew's Church at 7:30pm.

Friday April 12th: Easter holidays at 12 noon.

Monday April 29th: School reopens after Easter break.

Monday May 6th: School closed for May Bank Holiday.



Places for Junior Infants / Early Start 2019

Junior Infant places are filling up quickly. If you know anyone with a child who will be four before September, tell them to apply as soon as possible in order to ensure a place. All application forms are available from the secretaries' office.

There are a few places available for the afternoon session for Early Start. Thanks to everybody, who recently attended our open afternoon held on the 13th March. We hope you enjoyed the opportunity to visit the school and partake in a variety of activities. A special thanks to the pupils from fourth, fifth and sixth class, who acted as tour guides, sang in the choir, shared their knowledge of the Brent Geese and the Accelerated reading Programme and helped demonstrate science experiments.

Attendance & Punctuality



It is essential that your child attends school each day if he / she is to reach their full potential. Our school is in the fortunate position of having a School Completion Project (SCP) in operation. Each morning a member of the SCP team checks attendance in each class and rings the homes of all children, who are absent on that day. This is standard practice. If for some reason your child is sick, **please send in a written note to explain the absence** on his / her return to school. If your child misses 20 days of school, the school is obliged to report him / her to the Education Welfare Service. Please ensure your child comes to school on time every day.

Your child needs to be in school for the full day i.e. until 1:40pm (Junior / Senior Infants) and until 2:40pm (1st -6th classes). Please do not collect your child early except in exceptional circumstances. Thanks for your cooperation with this matter.



Easter Raffle

The Easter will take place on Thursday 11th April. Raffle tickets are now on sale each morning and a strip costs €1. Thank you for your continued support in our fundraising endeavours. Thanks to everyone who supported our recent fundraiser held on 14th March in aid of Kitale. **€260** was raised.

Spelling Bee

Congratulations to the pupils who participated in the school's final of the Spelling Bee on the 22nd March. Pupils from 4th, 5th and 6th class participated. Thanks to Mr. Cormac O' Connor, who compered the Spelling Bee. Congratulations to **Tia Byrne**, Room 28, who was the overall winner. This was a fantastic achievement for Tia as she was the reigning champion from 2018. She represented the school with style in the Leinster Final held in the Red Cow Inn on the 2nd April.



Parents' Corner

Parents' Association

If you are interested in getting involved in our school's Parents' Association please contact Maeve McAdam, HSCL coordinator, in the school office or text her on 086-0288928. The committee meet the first Monday of each month in the Parents' Room at 9am.



Paddy's Pennies Fundraiser

Thanks to all who contributed to this fundraiser. A really impressive **€1233.09** was raised, which will be used to purchase PE equipment for the junior yard and additional books for the AR library on the senior side.

Headlice Busting Campaign

A sincere thank you to all parents / guardians for your support with our recent headlice busting campaign. Unfortunately headlice are a problem in all schools but if we are all vigilant we can help reduce the outbreaks.

Friendship Week



Friendship Week will take place from 8th to 12th of April. During this week the pupils will be engaged in activities that promote friendship. Please encourage your child to talk about friendship at home.

Flipping Fun!!

Pancake Tuesday was celebrated on 5th March. The girls from Ms. Moriarty's 2nd class followed a procedure to make pancakes. This photo shows Tina flipping a pancake assisted by Leah.



March Assembly

Congratulations to the pupils of the month for March and to those children who received a special award for being Gaeilgeoir na Míosa. Táimid bródúil astu!



Trócaire Boxes

Please return your Trócaire box to the school office before Thursday 11th April. Alternatively you can drop it to your local church.

Literacy Showcase

Congratulations to Tayah, Leah & Jade who represented the school in the Literacy Showcase held recently in Ballyfermot Library. The girls spoke about the novel *Across the Divide*.



Visit to Glenaulin Nursing Home

My nanny K lives in Glenaulin Nursing Home in Chapelizod. My class, who are part of the National Children's Choir, visited the nursing home. We sang upstairs and downstairs. We sang songs from "The Sound of Music" and the people joined in. My nanny loved the singing and clapped a lot. We enjoyed ourselves and we got lots of goodies. I was so delighted that my nanny got a chance to listen to my class singing.



By Alex Delaney, 6th Class

February Pupils of the Month

Congratulations to the pupils of the month for February. Well done to these pupils, who give a great example to their classmates. We are very proud of them! A special award was given to one child from each class for being mannerly.

