



Newsletter – February 2024

Dear Parents / Guardians,

I hope you have all had a great week so far. I am delighted to announce the safe arrival of Baby Paige on the 14th of February and we wish Mrs Wallace all the best over the coming months. Mum and Baby are doing great.

Few dates for the diary:

Friday 1st March – PTA Bingo Night

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day and Book Sale

Tuesday 12th of March – Early school closure at **12.30pm** to facilitate staff training

Thursday 21st March – Easter Bake Sale (more details in the coming weeks)

Friday 22nd March – Early closure for Easter holidays of **12.30pm**

School closed from Friday 22nd March 12.30pm and will reopen at 8.55am on Monday 8th April

The children have all been very busy over the last couple of weeks since our return after mid-term break!

Ms Allen's Class:

During the month of February, the children explored the following:

Valentine's day, the children created beautiful art work to give to their parents.

This month's sensorial activities were based on the theme under the sea. Our sensory room with its ball pit, calming music, colourful lights and relaxing beanbags has become one of the children's favourite places to be in.

Junior and Senior Infants:

We had a busy but enjoyable February! We have started swimming lessons in K Leisure which is great fun! We have been learning all about the doctor's surgery and even pretended to be doctors and nurses! We especially enjoyed junk art! This is where we used recyclable rubbish to make ambulances and different types of medicine. Thanks to all the parents for sending us in some supplies! We enjoyed an assembly with Luke Hawkins too! We drew pictures of bees for our biodiversity competition. We talked about how importance of protecting bees. We are looking forward to Seachtain na Gaeilge, World Book day and Easter next month!

1st and 2nd Class:

February was another busy month for all the pupils in 1st and 2nd class. We all had great fun designing a kite and learning about St Brigid when the 'Go Fly Your Kite' visiting workshop came. Lots of us have enjoyed flying our kites at home.

We learned a lot about Spain this past month including locating it on a map, the weather in Spain, Spanish food and how school in Spain is different from school in Ireland. Lots of us have been to Spain on holidays and we shared our experiences of our holidays in Spain. We learned about Christopher Columbus and Pablo Picasso in history.

We started swimming last Friday. We had a great first lesson and we are really looking forward to practicing our swimming over the next four Fridays. We all enjoyed the well-earned week off for mid-term to relax and lots of us had fun days out with family and friends.

3rd and 4th Class:

We had many fun activities in 3rd and 4th class this month. We had a great time taking part in a kite making workshop. We finished our block of swimming and started playball last Friday. We have been learning all about rainforests in geography and are really looking forward to making rainforest dioramas this week. We have been reading the novel Charlotte's web over the past few weeks and we are really looking forward to watching the movie soon. We have made great progress with the ukulele this term and are playing some well-known songs in groups.

5th and 6th Class:

We started Playball this month and this will continue up to the Easter Holidays. We love having Big Dave and the team in!

We have started learning about World War II in History – we are really interested in this topic and can't wait to learn more.

We have been busy making posters for 2 different Irish competitions and we hope we win. We are looking forward to Seachtain na Gaeilge starting next week and all the activities we are going to get to do

Luke from Wilson's Hospital was back with us on Friday for assembly. He always makes us laugh. Thanks for coming to visit Luke!