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BULLETIN

February 2023

A message from the Principal

Welcome to our February bulletin. This month has been a busy one for the children and staff alike. The staff have been doing some professional development training and working on school policies. We have also been finalising plans for events that will be happening for the remainder of the year- sacramental preparation, sporting events, school tours to name a few. We will be sharing details of the school tours shortly. As you may expect, the increased prices in fuel has made some of the tours more expensive. However, we have worked hard to get the most competitive prices for the tours.

We look forward to sharing the details soon. Our outside planting is really coming along. All of the classes regularly visit the poly tunnels and care for the outdoor plants. Huge well done to all involved.

Mise le meas,
Johanne

School news

Your monthly Bulletin about our school!

Dates to remember

- Seactain na Gaeilge 13ú – 17ú Márta
- St Patrick's day 17th March. No school.
- School GAA fixtures commence: 20th March.
- Ceremony of Light (Confirmation children) 27th March 2023
- Easter holidays: 31st March – 17th April
- 6th class Graduation 23rd June 2023 at 1pm

This month at School

February was a really quick month. We celebrated St. Brigid's day and had our mid-term to rest. The days are now getting brighter and longer and we're looking forward to Easter.

Beatha teanga í a labhairt

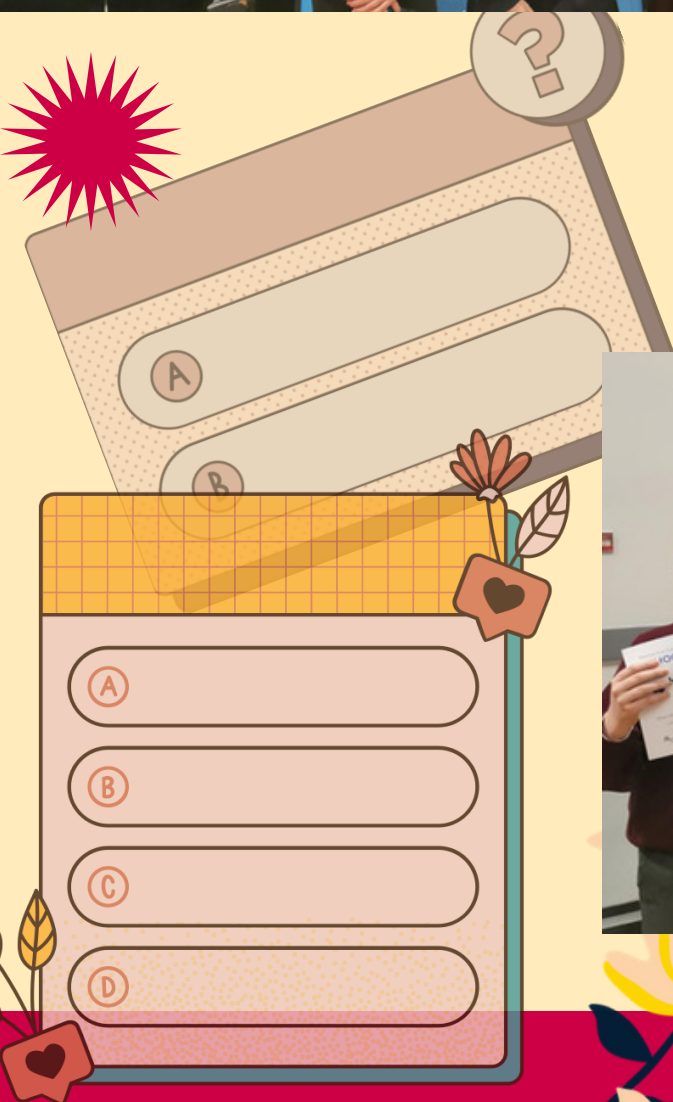
Tá seachtain na Gaeilge ag teacht. 'Déanaigí iarracht focail nua a fhoghlaim le linn na féile agus féach ar na féidearthachtaí len iad a úsáid'.
Manchán Mangan – Ambasadóir Sheachtain na Gaeilge 2023.

School news



Members First Credit Union Schools Quiz

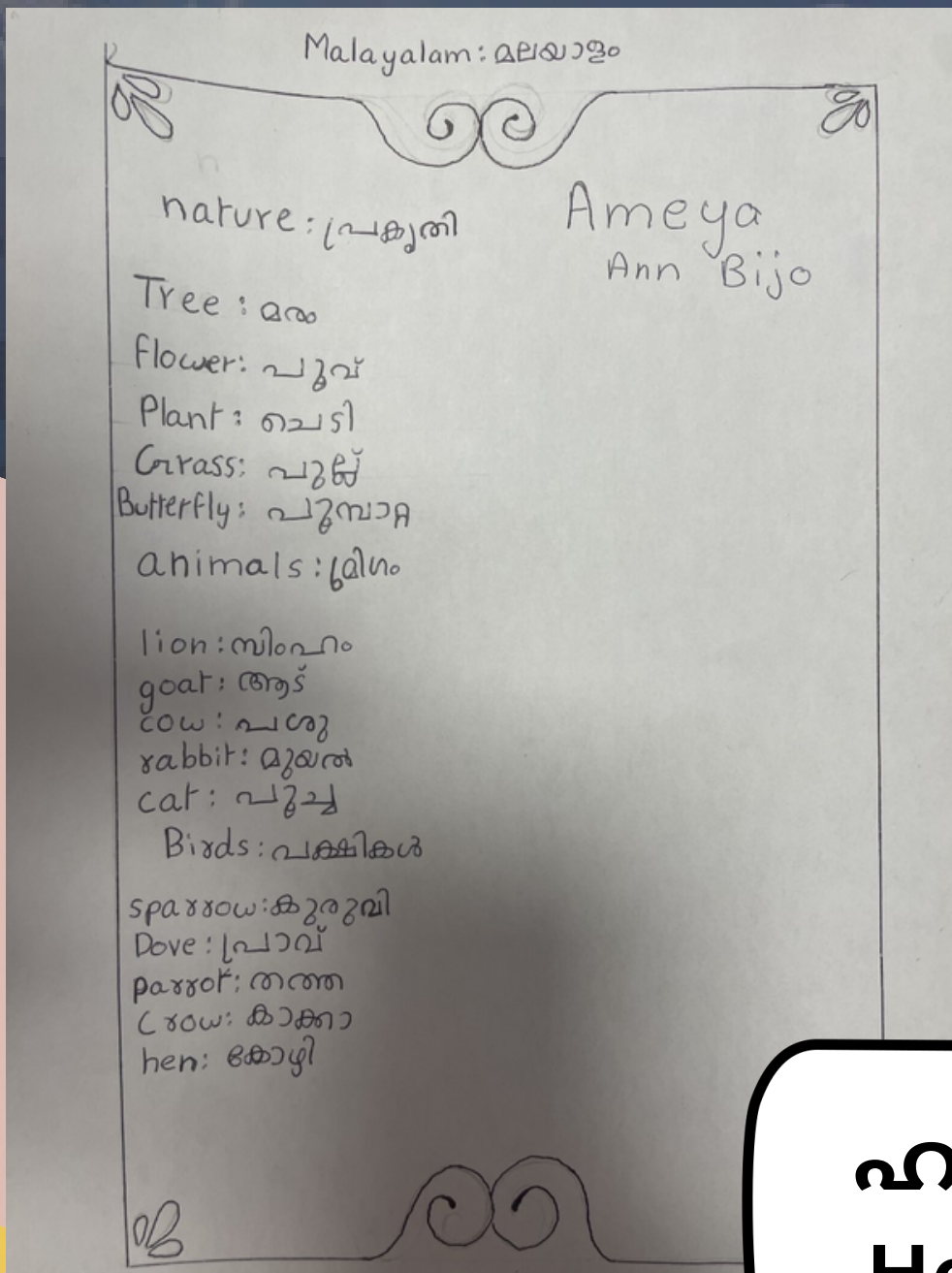
On the 8th of February, representatives from 5th and 6th Class participated in the Credit Union Quiz in Swords. Our 6th Class team came 4th place and continued onto the regional final the following week in Donnycarney where they did their best. Thank you to the students who represented the school and their parents and the teachers involved for their support.



Classroom news

5TH CLASS

Some of the children in 5th class were demonstrating their knowledge of their mother tongue. Ameya Ann Bijo demonstrated her knowledge of **Malayalam** (a language spoken in India) when discussing nature. Check it out below:



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Hello!

National Art gallery trip

by Lily O'Brien and Eabha Kelly

6th
class



On the second of February our class (6th Class, Room 16) went on a trip to the **'Sketching Tour' in the National Gallery**. It started at 12 pm. We got to the dart station and got on the dart at 11:16 am. We arrived at 12 pm at Pearse St and walked five minutes down the road and met Oisin's mam on the way. We got to the National Art Gallery and we were very impressed by how big it was. It was a beautiful building.

We walked inside to the reception, where we got split up into two groups and put our belongings into numbered bins. We met Jacinta and Valerie who brought us on the tour. Myself and Eabha went into the group with Valerie. We went into a room where Valerie explained some things about art and drawing; and we got a pencil and clipboard each. She brought us into a couple of different rooms one of which had stained glass art. We got to pick one of the art pieces to sketch.

After that we looked at more lots more pieces of art. We went to another room which had a choice of six pieces of art to sketch, one of them was by the artist Pablo Picasso. A couple of minutes later, we all met back in the room we started in and returned the clipboards and pencils. We then got our coats on and walked back to the dart station, got on the dart and arrived back to Clongriffin at 2.15pm and that was our trip to the National Art Gallery. We really enjoyed the trip and would hope to go back another day.

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Cycling in Room 15 & Room 16

6th
class

Thank you to the Irish Centre for Cycling, Mick and Shane Breen for delivering the Cycle Right Safety Programme to both 6th Classes from January up to the February mid-term. There was a mix of in-class instruction, cycling on the basketball court and then onto on the road around Parkside estate to put what we had learned into action.



CLASSROOM
NEWS



GAA 2023



Well done to all of the boys and girls for training so well the past few months. Matches will begin this month. Please do your best to attend training. Dates of fixtures are subject to change. We will update you all as to when and where exactly matches will take place as they are confirmed.

2023 Fixtures

Senior boy's football fixtures:

Week of: 20 March – Away in Trinity Gaels

Vs Belmayne Educate Together

Week of: 27 March – Home Vs St Fintan's

Week of: 17 April – Away Vs Sc Chiaráin

Junior boy's football fixtures:

Week of: 17 April – Away Vs St. Nicholas of Myra

Week of: 24 April – Home Vs St. Benedict's and St. Mary's

Week of: 1 May – Home vs Grace Park ETNS

Senior boy's hurling fixtures:

20/04/23 – Home vs Scoil Ghráinne CNS, Pibblestown

04/05/23 – Away vs St Benedict's, Ongar

11/05/23 – Away vs St. Laurence NS Baldoye

18/05/23 – Home vs Belmayne Educate Together NS





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Junior girl's football fixtures

Week of 20 March – Home Vs Bracken ETNS

Week of 27 March – Away Vs St B & St M

Week of 17 April – Home Vs Holy Family

Week of 24 April – Home Vs GSB Bhrigín

Week of 1 May – Away Vs MODG

Senior girl's football fixtures:

Week of 20 March: Home Vs Educate Together

Week of 27 March: Home Vs St B & St. M.

Week of 17 April: Away Vs. Huntstown



The school recently received a plaque to celebrate 50 years of the Fingal League.



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GREEN SCHOOL UPDATE



WELLS OF LIFE WALK FOR WATER

Aidan Jordan and Martin Kennedy from the Wells of Life Charity came to visit our school to receive the €546, collected by the donations of the children during the Walk for Water. They talked to the children at assembly and told them how every 5 euro raised saves a life. The school is now going to work towards raising money to restore a well in Uganda.

WELL
DONE!

COMMUNITY NEWS

February 2023



Starting from Tuesday 28th Feb, the Clongriffin Community Association (CCA) are so excited to announce that it has been chosen by Tesco Extra Clarehall as one of the 3 groups to receive a proportion of the Tesco Community Fund for the next three months. Today members of both the CCA and our Tidy Towns group, including our fantastic junior litter monitors, popped down to the store to start the process.

Every 12 weeks, each Tesco store donates up to €2,000 from its Community Fund between three local good causes in its community.

Customers decide how the Fund is shared by placing the blue token they receive at the checkout in the donation box of the local good cause they would most like to support. At the end of the 12 weeks, the number of tokens is counted and up to €2,000 is distributed proportionally between three local good causes.

We would really appreciate your support as the more tokens the Clongriffin Community Association gets, the larger share of the donation we will receive. We are a self funded organisation entirely reliant on donations. If you shop in Tesco Extra Clarehall over the next three months, please remember to get your token and pop it in our box and if you don't maybe you might consider switching some of your grocery shops to help us out.

Thank you so much to Tesco Ireland for their continued support with local community initiatives such as our own community association.