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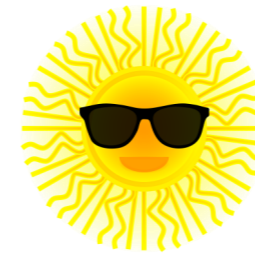
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St. Paul's National School Summer 2015 Newsletter

Anyone who talks about the lazy days of Summer obviously has never visited a primary school in June!! Far from lazy we have brought the year to a close with a bang...tours; graduation; Active Week... I hope you all enjoy reading about some of them here and a huge thank you to Yvonne for our beautiful newsletter and all the wonderful work she does all year. I would like to thank all the staff for their hard work all year. I hope they will enjoy a well-earned rest. Thank you to our parents and the Parents' Association Committee for the invaluable support they give us. We wish our sixth class boys and girls all the best as they move onwards and upwards. They'll be missed! We look forward to seeing everyone else back, safe and sound, on the 27th of August.

Morag McGowan



Class of 2007 Graduate

We are very sorry to see our 6th Class students go but we know they are ready for the next stage of their education. They are a fantastic bunch of children and are destined to achieve great things in life with continued hard work and determination. Check out the photos on the next page of the cute children who started St. Paul's back in 2007!



More Pics on page 3!

Disco Inferno

6th Classes put on a fantastic production of Disco Inferno as their end of year show. Parents and family flocked to see the show on the 11th June. The performances showcased lots of talent and was a huge credit to the children and to the teachers involved Ms Smyth, Mr Harte and McCarthy who put many, many hours of work and rehearsal into the show making it a huge success on the night. Thank you also to Ms Roe, Mr Duffy, Ms Hamilton and Shane who all worked in the background in the lead up and on the night!



We are delighted to have been awarded our third green flag and our 2nd active flag. Read more on Page 10



Mr Harte's Current 6th Class being taught by
Ms McCarthy in Junior Infants



Ms Smyth's Current 6th Class being taught by
Ms O'Connor in Junior Infants

Open Day for Junior Infants

We had an open day for our incoming Junior Infants and their Parents in May. We look forward to seeing them all on their first day of school on August 27th.

Vision Screening

Our Junior Infants had their vision tested this month by the HSE.

Uniform Box

Parents are reminded that we have 2nd hand uniforms in good condition which have been donated back to the school. Please feel free to check it out for any wanted items. Also, if you have unwanted items of school uniform in good condition we would be delighted to take them from you.

Coin Trail

The children completed a coin trail this week as a fund raising activity for the earthquake victims in Nepal and for Nurture Africa (one of our teachers is going to teach in Uganda this Summer). We raised €2,270 and the proceeds will be split between the two charities. Thank you to everyone who sent in any spare change.

Swimming

Junior and Senior Infants, 1st and 3rd Classes completed 6 weeks of swimming lessons in the National Aquatic Centre

Water Safety Talk

Our 4th and 5th Classes received a water safety talk from Irish Water Safety. Please keep safe when near water this Summer!



Ms McCarthy's Current 6th Class being taught
by Ms Hickey with Orla in Junior Infants



Summer greetings from the very talented Conor Yardley from 4th Class who enjoys creating cartoons for his comic books! Well done!

Cycle safety scheme in St. Paul's with Garda Aisling

A few weeks ago Garda Aisling came into St Paul's and introduced us to the cycle safety scheme. Every child from Fourth to Sixth Class were allowed participate and lots of pupils took part. As part of the programme the Student Council, along with Garda Aisling, stood outside the 3 entrances to the school each morning welcoming the cyclists. We stopped any cyclists who were not wearing a helmet and reminded them of the importance of wearing one. Unfortunately if a cyclist was not wearing their helmet or if they broke a cycling rule they were issued a penalty point. At the end of the week we called all of the participants down to the office and issued them a bike licence. Each participant got a set of reflective lights and the student council got a reflective RSA bag full of goodies. It was a really great week and we hope that it reminded everyone of the importance of cycle safety when out and about on their bikes! Thank you to Garda Aisling for your help!

By Christian Cahill, Sixth Class



Potato Planting

Farmer Christopher Brownlow invited our junior infants to plant potatoes in his field and to harvest them please god in September!! Thank you to Lorna Lyons for arranging this activity for the children.

Gaelbhrtach

An bhliain soe, we started working on our Gaelbhrtach. Tá na páistí úsáid níos mó Gaeilge amuigh den rang Gaeilge. Táimid ag tnúth le bliain a dó and we hope to have our Gaelbhrtach flying ag an am seo an bhliain seo chugainn.

End of the Year Poem



You are a very special person
And you should know,
How I loved to have you in my care
How fast the year did go!

Please come back to visit me
As through the grades you go
Try hard to learn all that you can
There's so much to know

One thing I tried to teach you
To last your whole life through,
Is to know that you are special
Just because, you are you!

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St. Paul's awarded another Green & Active Flag

On a sunny Friday on the 5th of June, St. Paul's raised its third Green Flag and its Second Active Flag. All the students and teachers of St. Paul's National School were lined up outside passing the two flags around. Both flags were then raised by the Active committee, Green School committees, Shane and Yvonne. We sang "Happy" and recited the poem "Every Drop of Water". The flags now fly in the wind in front of St. Paul's and we pass them with pride knowing that we were part of receiving them.



Written by Tomas Sarapas, Sixth Class



Photos from the 6th Class amazing production of 'Disco Inferno'





Congratulations to Danielle Connolly for coming 3rd in the Meath Community Games



Our Senior Infant Engineer Nathan Roycroft who created his own robot figure.

Kate Hayes from Ms Burke's 4th Class was runner up in the RTE U/10 creative writing competition. Kate went to the RTE studios to collect her prizes and her work was published in a recent edition of the RTE guide Well done Kate!



Communion 2015

Our three 2nd classes made their 1st Holy Communion on the 9th May. Everything was perfect—even the weather! The three ceremonies passed off beautifully under the direction of class teachers Mr Duffy, Ms Broderick and Ms Bates. A special thank you to the school choir who, lead by the brilliant Ms Hession and Ms Gogan, sang their hearts out to make the event very special for the children and their families. We must also thank Fr Gerry and Fr Brendan for saying the masses and for adding their own personal touches.

Our Fantastic Parents' Association

As always our Parents' Association did us proud back at the school and hosted a hosted tea and coffee reception for each Communion class and their families throughout the morning. Our PA had already hosted our 6th classes who made their Confirmation only a few weeks prior. We are very grateful to our PA for the tremendous work they do for the school. We are very sorry to see Siobhán Sevestre and Barbara Moore leave us at the end of this year! Siobhán has done fantastic work for us throughout her years with us and her vision and commitment to the school has resulted in hugely successful Christmas Fairs, Communion and Confirmation parties and more. We will miss you Siobhán but wish you the very best of luck. You are welcome back anytime!! Barbara has also been on our PA for years and finishes with us as treasurer. We are very grateful to Barbara for all her work with the Parents' Association.

The Parents' Association also funded the Santa Village excursion to Ratoath College and the Food Dudes initiative for Junior and Senior Infants. If you would like to get involved in your child's school then please contact the school office or email the PA on stpaulsratoathpa@gmail.com with your name and number. The Parents' Association need volunteers to help with the many events throughout the year, all of which you and your child will be part of one day!

Food Dudes

Food dudes is a healthy eating initiative which ran over 16 days for Junior Infants, Senior Infants and Rooms 25 and 26. Each day a piece of fruit and vegetable was delivered to each child. Initially the children were required just to taste both pieces and would receive a prize and then as time went on they were encouraged to eat a portion to be rewarded. Fruit provided were satsumas, bananas, grapes and sliced apples and Vegetables were Carrots, cucumber slices, pepper slices and mangetout.



Active Week





School Garden

Our garden goes from strength to strength in no small part to the little green fingers of our garden committee led by teachers Ms O'Connor and Ms Hamilton. A recent initiative to get the whole school involved was to ask the children to design a scarecrow for the garden. We had lots of entries of very good scarecrow designs which Ms O'Connor and Ms Hamilton found very difficult to pick from. But eventually there was a winner picked from each year group. Mia Dowling (Junior Infants) Éabha McBride (Senior Infants), Lauren McKenna (1st) Mia Cooley Kenny (2nd Class), Grace McTiernan (3rd), Katelyn Collins (4th), Margarita Baturova (5th) and Sidney Dehaene Edge (6th). Well done to everyone who participated!

School Tours 2015

The weather was extremely good to us this year for our annual school tours. Junior Infants headed to Newbridge Farm, Senior Infants to Dublin Zoo and 1st Classes to Causey Farm and had lots of fun. Equally our 2nd Classes, third classes and 4th Classes enjoyed their trips to Pine Forest, Funtastia/Bettystown Beach and W5 respectively. Fifth Classes were immensely entertained with the activities at Crystal Maze and our 6th classes had the best time with an over night stay and lots of activities in Carlingford Adventure Centre. Pictures include Ms Crosbie's 1st Class at Causey Farm, Some of Ms Kieran's children at Dublin Zoo, Ms Talty's 5th Class and Ms O'Connor's Class



We would be very grateful if anyone would like to donate compost to the school as we have lots of ideas and plans to keep our garden growing.



Congratulations to our Pentel International Children's Art

Exhibition Winners

Foreign Ministers Top Prize: Abi McLoughlin

Supreme Gold: Sara McMahon & Tiernan Fahey Clancy

Gold Éabha Temple, Robyn Mulcahy, Denis O'laru, Aaron Martin, Robert Hayes, Tarah Coyne, Oran Corboy, Erin Leeson, Charlie Jackson, Ethan Styles, Charlotte Elwood, Jack O'Neill, Finn Mooney & Ameera Saeed.

Silver Alice Kinsella, Sam Grogan, Aoife O'Beara, Sarah Bergin, Breeanne Enright, Jamie Colgan, Emma Graydon, Caoimhe Kelleher, Isabel Byrne, Tom McCormack, Katie Doherty, Brandon Tighe, Adam O'Connor, Remi Akinyemi, Abby Elwood, Rachel Byrne, Hannah Cronolly, Michael Ohoka, Amelia Campbell, Mintaras Matijosaitis, Ella McGoldrick & Ruqaiya Saeed.



Bronze Siobheal Hartford, Josh Gill, Molly Moran, Eoghan Keary, Alex Kearney, Oliver Walter, Callum Brady, Adam Murphy, Aaron Prendergast, Ella O'Reilly & Leah Barnville.

Pental: Ruairi Pelly, Ava Doran, Grace Gallagher, Clodagh

McHugh, Caitlin Blake, Sophie Cooke, Cian Campbell, Mary-Kate Prior, Aoibhinn Gibson, Kyle Donohoe, Sophie Barker, Mia McGreeve, Naoise

Tyrrell, Anastasia Baczkowski, Eoin Drysdale, Daire McCourt, Reuben Byrne, Ella Murray, Margarita Buturova, Aoife Daniels, Jason Beggy, Thomas Dunne, Abbie Boshell, Justine Salimonova, Emily Foster, Evan Cantwell, Sidney Dehaene Edge & Katie Cotter.



Irish Credit Union Quiz League

Following impressive 1st and 2nd round wins earlier this year in St. Declan's and the Pillo Hotel our senior team went on to the RDS in April to compete in the All Ireland final! 100 teams from all over the country participated and our team did very well in the final. Well done to Eve Drysdale, Evan Cantwell, Ella Clancy, Lily Murray and to Adam Murphy, who participated in round one and two, on this great achievement. A special thank you to Mr Burns for his work in co-ordinating the events!!





Sport — Here Come The Girls!!

The Summer term has been an action packed and fun filled time in St. Paul's. It has also been a time of 'firsts'. Our camogie team took part in the Meath league for the first time and competed with great distinction and skill all their matches. Our sixth class girls also took part for the first time in the Meath basketball league. After great victories over Coole N.S and Robinstown N.S., the girls have qualified for the knock out stages. With so many girls participating in the wide range of sports we play in St. Paul's, we are confident that silverware is only around the corner in the years to come. Well done girls.

Not to be outdone, the boys of St. Paul's have also been making their mark on the sporting field. Our hurling team competed in the first division of the Meath hurling league. They played extremely well in what was a tough division and were unlucky not to qualify for the knock out stages. The fourth and fifth class boys also competed very successfully in the Spring league and gained some excellent victories along the way. With so many boys and girls training on Monday evening in the GAA pitch, we are well prepared for the upcoming Meath Gaelic football competitions that are due to start in early September. As we near the end of another hugely enjoyable sporting year, we would like to take the opportunity to thank all the teachers, children and parents that have helped to make the year such an enjoyable and rewarding one.



Athletics

On Wednesday the 10th June a group of 20 of us went to the athletics' track in Navan. When we got there we saw lots of other schools. There were lots of competitions and different races including sprints, long distance, long jump and ball throw. At one o'clock we had teams competing in the mixed relays. We were unlucky not to qualify for the finals but both teams did extremely well. Overall it was a great day, the sun was shining brightly, we brought home some medals and every athlete made St. Paul's proud! A special thanks to all teachers involved including Ms. Prendiville, Ms. Kennedy, Ms. Moore, Ms. Kelly and Ms. Gogan.



Enjoying Athletics Day as part of Active week!



Sponsored Walk and Run

On the 1st of May the children from St. Paul's raised €4,468.50 through our sponsored walk/run initiative. Children from Junior Infants up to 4th classes walked various routes throughout the village and 5th and 6th class children ran around the track at Fairyhouse. We were very impressed with the energy and fitness levels of all the children. Thank you to our PA who provided apples and water for each child. Well done to all!



Our Wonderful SNAs

We in St. Paul's are very lucky to have such wonderful SNAs who work in a caring and supportive role under the guidance and supervision of Ms McGowan and the class teachers. They are a tremendous asset to the whole school. So to Grainne, Orla, Sheelin, Caroline, Moira, Máire, Rosaleen and Nicola thank you so much for your beautiful caring natures and for the support you give to the children concerned and to the whole school.

Dates for your Diary in 2016

Confirmation will be on the 22nd April at 3pm

First Holy Communion will be on Saturday 14th May at 10am, 11.30 & 1pm



Alice in Wonderland

Children from Junior Infants up to 3rd Classes were treated to an Alice in Wonderland production. The children thoroughly enjoyed the performance and we hope the production team will be back next year for another performance.