

Fís Fís Film Awards

We are incredibly proud of our school for winning an award at the recent National Fís Film Awards for Outstanding Achievement in Filmmaking! This prestigious event took place on the 12th of February at The Helix, in DCU. It was an honour to see the hard work and creativity of all involved in creating the film 'The Old Bike' recognised. The video starred our former 6th class students Ava, Rían, Derek, Dara and Ellie. It featured an original song penned by teacher and director Noel O'Sullivan, which was performed by teacher Sinéad Flynn and school principal Colm O'Súilleabháin. It was filmed and produced by Oisín O'Connor, while the story was created by Elaine Price, Noel O'Sullivan and Oisín O'Connor. The children, their parents and staff involved travelled to the Helix as nominees and were thrilled to receive the award for 'Best Story' at the event. This achievement highlights the dedication and talent of everyone involved in the venture. We couldn't be more proud of all involved!



CLIL

This year, our Junior and Senior Infants, along with our 5th and 6th classes, are taking part in the exciting CLIL (Content and Language Integrated Learning) programme. As part of this initiative, students will be taught one strand of the maths curriculum through Irish, providing a unique opportunity to develop both their mathematical and language skills simultaneously. This innovative approach will not only strengthen their understanding of key maths concepts, but also enhance their proficiency in the Irish language. We're excited to see how this immersive learning experience will benefit our students and look forward to the progress they will make throughout the year. Here are some children from Ms. Carol's Junior Infants engaging in the programme.



Ablefest

New Festival coming to Killarney – Ablefest! - an all-inclusive music and arts festival designed for children and adults with additional needs, their families, and friends. Ablefest promises a day of music, creativity, and entertainment where everyone can fully participate and enjoy. In addition to fantastic live music, Ablefest will offer a variety of interactive experiences, including sensory-friendly areas, face painting, puppet shows, line dancing, food trucks, drum workshops, nail painting, animal roadshows, and much more. The event is designed to be accessible and welcoming to all, ensuring a joyful and memorable experience for attendees. Taking place on Sunday, March 16th, from 12pm to 4pm at Beech Road car-park, Killarney. Tickets available at www.stpatricksfestivalkillarney.ie.

Internet Safety Day

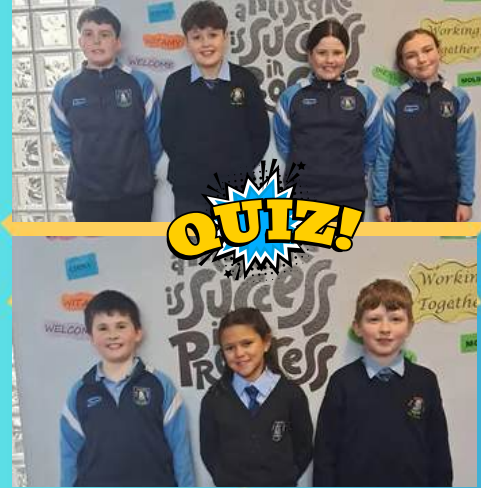
A big thank you to Ian O'Leary, a TY student from St. Brendan's, who gave an insightful talk to Ms. Maloney's 2nd Class class on Digital Addiction. Ian's presentation was both informative and thought-provoking, helping our students understand the importance of managing screen time and maintaining a healthy balance in the digital world. We appreciate Ian's time and effort in sharing his knowledge and raising awareness about this important issue. His contribution was invaluable, and we're grateful for his commitment to promoting online safety and well-being.



Quiz Teams Success

Well done to our wonderful quiz teams who recently participated in the regional round of the Credit Union School Quiz Competition. The event took place in the Great Southern Hotel, where 75 teams competed in total. Our school had 4 teams in the competition with two teams in each of the under 11 and under 13 categories.

We are thrilled to announce that our school won first place in both categories, showcasing the outstanding knowledge and teamwork of the students. This is an incredible achievement and one we are very proud of. These two teams will go on to represent our school again in Tralee for the county stage of this School Quiz Competition.



Service of Light

Our 6th class students recently celebrated their Service of Light in preparation for their Confirmation, marking an important step in their faith journey. This special ceremony was a beautiful moment of reflection and prayer, as the children were reminded of the light of Christ, that they are called to carry with them in their lives. As they prepare to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we wish them strength, wisdom, and courage in the weeks ahead. May this experience inspire them to continue growing in their faith and live out the values of their Confirmation with joy and grace.



Pen Pals



Ms. Leana's Senior Infants had great fun writing postcards and making art to send to their new pen pals- a Kindergarden Class in Fayetteville, North Carolina, USA.

The children told their new friends all about Killarney National Park, Torc Waterfall, Muckross House, Ross Castle and their love of GAA!



First Confession

Well done to our 2nd class students, who recently celebrated their First Confession! The meaningful ceremony took place in the Church of the Resurrection, with Fr. Vitalis leading the celebration. He was joined on the morning by Fr. Lenihan and Fr. Kieran. It was a special moment in their spiritual journey & we are so proud of each of them. As they continue their preparations for their First Holy Communion we wish them all the best. May this next step bring them joy, peace, and a deeper connection to their faith. Keep up the great work!



Ms. Amy's Class



Ms. O'Conner's Class



Ms. Maloney's Class