

Holy Family Herald



School day: 8.55am – 1.35pm/2.35pm

Welcome to our Newsletter

➤ Some Important Dates

St Patrick's Day: Closed Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th
Easter Holidays: Closing Friday, March 27th @ 12 noon
Re-opening: Monday, April 13th

Sacraments:

First Confession: Thursday, March 12th @ 7.45pm
Service of Light: Thursday, April 23rd @ 8pm
Confirmation: Saturday, April 25th @ 11.30am
First Holy Communion: Saturday, May 16th @ 11.30am



Book Fair: March 20th – March 26th

- **One Book, One Community:** 5th & 6th class are currently involved in an inter schools 'One Book, One Community' Club. This involves 11 of the local Primary and Secondary schools reading the same book at the same time. The children are reading the book 'Across the Divide' written by Irish author Brian Gallagher. We are all enjoying reading the book and looking forward to meeting the author when he comes into meet us in the school on March 19th.



- **Green Flag assessment:** All of the pupils, parents and staff in the school have been working very hard over the past 2 years completing the work needed to get our 1st Green flag for Holy Family. The main idea was to focus our efforts on Reducing, Reusing and Recycling. We hope that all of this work will pay off. We had our final assessment with Dean Eaton from the Environmental Awareness Officer Section of the Council on March 6th. A special word of thanks to Sinead O'Connell, Chris Early & Niamh Murphy.



Non Uniform Day:

Friday, March 13th
€2 per child

- **Seachtain na Gaeilge:** With St Patrick's day looming there will be lots of Gaeilge activities taking place around the school, Tráth na gCeist (Table Quiz), Céili Mor for the Senior Classes, Cainteoir na Seachtaine (Irish Speaker of the week) etc, so get your Irish hats on and try to use your 'Cúpla Focail' (couple of Irish words) over the next 2 weeks!

- **Parent & Child Activities:** Many thanks to all of the parents who come in to help out with the various Parent & Child activities in the school, we could not run these activities without your continued support. Current classes include



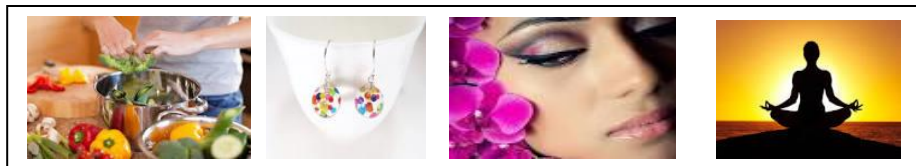
Literacy Loop: 5th & 6th classes on
Wednesday 1.30-2.30pm

Maths for Fun: Junior Infants on
Wednesday 8.55 .9.30am



- **Parent classes:** The Education Training Board (ETB) in Dun Laoghaire continues to support us by supplying the school with tutors for our various Parent Courses. These courses are available to parents, grandparents, and people in the local community. The ETB are starting to cut funding for courses that are not well attended, so we would encourage as many parents as possible to avail of these courses to secure our funding for the future.

Courses are available to any parent/adult in the community.



Healthy Cooking: Mondays 9 - 11am

Jewellery Making/ Flower Arranging: Tuesdays 11.30 - 1pm

Hair & Beauty: Wednesdays 11.30 – 1pm

Yoga: Thursday 9 – 10am

Zumba: Fridays 9.15 – 10.15am

Operation Fit Farm

We all enjoyed 'Operation Fit Farm' in January and February. All of the school engaged in lots of stepping aerobics, zumba, walking, healthy eating etc.



It was great to see all children so active. We had a such a large number of parents supporting the project along the way. We hope you all enjoyed it!

School Facelift:

The school is looking fantastic after all of its recent Face-lift! Although it is an ongoing process we want to give big thanks to all who have helped with the cleaning, painting and general maintenance and Spring Clean over the last few weeks. We would not have done all of this without the help of Anto, Peter, the TUS painters and all of the parents who came in to help out with the spring Clean.



Christmas Fair: Thanks to all the parents and pupils who helped out with our very successful Christmas Fair. It was a fantastic event and we raised an amazing € 1375.98! A special thanks to all of the local businesses for their continued support and generosity with their wonderful donations to help out with the event. A grand total of €336.40 was made from the wonderful Christmas Cards the children designed. Well done!



Spring Clean



One Snowy Spring Day



SAFETY NOTICE:

THE SCHOOL CAR PARK IS FOR STAFF ONLY.

For the safety of your children, parents are asked not to drive into or park on school grounds.



Wednesday, April 22nd
Clothes Collection



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