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World Book Day 2023

We had some additional excitement this World Book Day as our new library space was up and running for the big day! This new reading area has been fully funded by money raised by you, our families, at our Annual Spooktacular Halloween Sponsored Walk last October. A big thank you to Mrs Branigan who was instrumental in the design and delivery of this new resource for the school and a particular thank you to all our families who contributed to this. Every euro you donated has been put to great use and this is a resource that will be used by every child in our school for many years to come.





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Seachtain na Gaeilge

A big thank you to Ms O'Sullivan who organised another fun-filled Seachtain na Gaeilge for us this year. During this week we put a special emphasis on Gaeilge. The children learned new songs and played new games. We were treated to a wonderful music workshop by Ian and Eoin from @mobilemusicire and everyone really enjoyed hearing all the different traditional Irish instruments. Maith sibh gach duine! Well done, everyone!





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Dance Crazy!

Everyone in Assumption Junior was very excited this month to welcome Dancing with the Stars winner and local resident Carl Mullan and his amazing dance partner Emily Barker to the school before their grand finale performance. They put on a spectacular performance for all our classes and were joined on stage by some of our own very talented dancers. We are sure that it was all the Assumption Junior votes that made sure Carl and Emily went away with the glitterball trophy!



Safety in the School Grounds – Some Reminders

Children and adults should never climb across the school wall/fence to get into the school grounds. This is extremely dangerous and has on several occasions led to serious injury.

Please do not allow your children to walk under the barrier, use the pedestrian gates provided.

Cycling and scooting in the school grounds is strictly prohibited as we have large numbers of very young children who can easily be knocked down.

Dogs are not permitted on the school grounds. We are, however, always happy to welcome working dogs into the school grounds.



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First Class Musical

For the first time since 2019 our First Classes put on their traditional Musical Show! This year we were treated to a hilariously entertaining performance of The Three Little Pigs! A huge thanks you must go to all the staff involved in the production, Maureen, Annemarie, Anne, Mr Clyne, Ms Bailey, Ms Bustard and in particular Ms Redmond who oversaw the who production. The boys and girls were fabulous during both shows for their families and on the dress rehearsal for the whole school.





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Upcoming Events – International Day

We are delighted that for the first time since 2019 we will be celebrating our traditional International Day Food Festival. This will take place on Wednesday 26th April, and we would ask parents to help out by bringing along some typical dishes from your country that you would like to share. If you can contribute, please let your child's teacher know by Friday 21st April. Traditional Irish dishes are always very welcome too!

Ms Heffernan will be sending on more information after Easter.

Easter Celebrations in the Parish

**Church of the Assumption
Walkinstown**



HOLY WEEK & EASTER

Palm Sunday	Sat Vigil 6 pm, Sun 11:30 am
Tuesday of Holy Week	7.30 pm Penitential and Healing Service
Holy Thursday	10 am Morning Prayer 7.30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Followed by adoration and private prayer until late
Good Friday	10 am Morning Prayer 12 noon Family Stations of the Cross 3 pm The Lord's Passion 7.30 pm Stations/Prayer around the Cross
Holy Saturday	10 am Morning Prayer
Saturday Evening	7.30 pm Easter Vigil
Easter Sunday	11.30 am Mass

Fr. Paul and the Parish Team would like to wish you a Blessed Easter.



Upcoming School Closures

April 1-16: Easter Holidays

April 17: School Reopens for Term 3

May 1-2: Bank Holiday Weekend – School Closed

May 18: School closes at 11.30(ASD Classes)/11:45(Junior Infants to Second Classes)

June 5-6: Bank Holiday Weekend – School Closed

June 30: School Closes at 11.45