



OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Scoil Mhuire agus Iosaf



Halloween Fundraiser

On Friday the 27th of October SMAI held a Fancy Dress Party in aid of the children's hospitals of Ireland. Each child dressed up and brought in €2. There were prizes for the best homemade costumes as well as lots of fun activities and treats on the day. Thank you to everyone who donated to this very worthy cause.



Maths Week 2023

There were lots of different maths activities and games happening around the school for Maths Week 2023. From maths trails to iPad games, quizzes and group work. All children got involved and thoroughly enjoyed it.





GO TEAM!



Owenmore Gaels

A huge congratulations once again to Owenmore Gaels after their recent victory over local rivals Ballymote in the Connacht Gold Junior A final in Markievicz Park. A special thank you to the players for coming in after the final with the cup. The children really enjoyed it.

ZEEKO Internet Safety

Parents were invited to attend an Internet Safety seminar via Zoom on Tuesday the 24th of October. The seminar focused on empowering children to protect themselves online through education. Staff also attended a similar training on Wednesday the 25th. We will continue to highlight the importance of internet safety throughout the school year and plan to get another facilitator in for 6th class in the coming months.



Student Council

Congratulations to all of our recently elected student council members.

2nd Class - Jack & Robyn

3rd Class - Ben & Lily

4th Class A - Conor & Lyla

4th Class B - Eve & Charlotte

5th Class - Stephen & Nicole

6th Class - Charlie & Blaithin





Mini 7s

Well done to the boys and girls mini 7 teams who competed against Sooley, Cloghoghe and Ballisodare in the first round of the competition. They advanced to the second round of competition which will be held after Christmas. Caolan Feeney and Blaithin O Meara also represented the school in the skills competition. Well done to all.





Amber Flag



Our new Amber Flag committee has representatives from each class 3rd to 6th and they are linked to a junior class. We would like to thank last year's co ordinator Edel Reynolds and her committee for achieving our 1st Amber Flag. This month's Amber Flag theme was gratitude. Pupils completed gratitude journals focusing on all we have to be thankful for. We also included things we are thankful for on our thankful tree. Wellness Wednesday took place on 25th October and pupils did Autumn Art.



Creative Schools



This month we had our first meeting of the Creative Schools committee. The committee is made up of students from 3rd to 6th class. The students discussed different ways we can spread creativity across the school community including bringing colour into our school playground. This year we have started creative homework. Each month, students will have a break from written homework to create, bake, paint or draw something under a given theme. Our theme for October is Harvest. We are very excited to have been granted the Arts in Education BLAST Residency Programme. This gives us the opportunity to work with a professional artist on a creative project. Linda Fahrlin a well-known illustrator and artist will be working with students in 1st and 2nd Class in the new year.





Green Schools



We are currently working towards our first green schools flag. We are trying to reduce waste and recycle as much as possible.

We are collecting bottle tops as we will be working with The Tidy Towns to create a bottle top mural.



Dates for the Diary



- School reopens - Nov. 6th
- PT Meetings - Nov. 14th & 16th
- Science Week - Nov. 13th - 20th



WISHING YOU ALL A HAPPY AND SAFE
MID-TERM BREAK.

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