

May Newsletter



Dear Parents/Guardians,

The month of May heralds the first hint that the summer holidays are approaching. May Day takes place on the first Monday in May, it is the spring festival and commemorates fertility and the blossoming of flowers and fruit. In the Irish language, this spring festival is known as Lá Bealtaine.

First Class School Tour

First Class went to the Glen Resource Centre for their School Tour. It was a fantastic day and all the children had great fun travelling by bus together and enjoying each other's company.

First Holy Communion, Saturday 18th May

Second Class celebrated their Holy Communion Day on Saturday 18th May,

The children were a credit to all concerned and we send our sincere thanks to

all involved especially to our Second Class Pupils, you the Parents, Teachers and our 5 Star Parents Association Volunteers. The day was a huge success.

Hilary Herbert Photographer called to the school on Monday 20th May and took beautiful photos of our Pupils in their Holy Communion attire.

Music Bug Club Taster Session, Tuesday 14th May

The Cork City Music College held a musical taster session for our Junior and Senior Pupils in the Halla. Pupils from our school demonstrated their amazing musical talents to our Junior children who really appreciated this magical performance.



Hurling and Camogie May 2019

Well done to our SPN Camogie Team who played three very competitive games this year.

We also sent a combined 4th and 5th Class Camogie Team to Douglas for the annual “Crossing the Camáns” blitz where we finished 2nd in our division.



Our Hurling Team made it to the semi-finals this year where we played St. Peter’s National School, Dungourney. We were very unlucky to be hit with a killer goal in the last minute but the boy’s put in a great display against the eventual winners of F2.



Cork City Music College Concert, Tuesday 28th May

Our Cork City Music College, Students, performed for their Parents and families on Tuesday afternoon after school. Our music students from Senior Infants to Sixth Class got a chance to show off their musical skills and wow their audience with their finely honed tunes under the tutelage of Ruthy Lachs.



Junior Infant Parent Information Evening, Tuesday 28th May

Our new Parents attended our New Junior Infant September 2019 Information evening on Tuesday. There was a huge turn out once again.

Parents were addressed by Micheál Ó Riain, Iníon Ní Chrualaoí and Iníon Ní Chéilleachair.

Advice and information was given regarding preparing your child for school. Parents appreciated and enjoyed the evening.

Parents Orla Kelly and Hilary Real spoke about being part of the Parents Association and how important and rewarding it is to be part of the school community. They also encouraged parents to get to know each other as they can be a huge support to each other over the eight school years in Scoil Phádraig Naofa.

Both Orla and Hilary re-iterated how children truly love to see their parents helping out in the school whether it is just an hour of their time that can be given or more, there is a really “feel good factor” for all involved.

Our new Junior Infant children will be visiting the school on 19th and 20th June.



2019 Spar FAI Primary School 5s National Final in the Aviva on Wednesday 29th May

Scoil Phádraig Naofa Soccer Team represented Munster in the 2019 Spar FAI Primary School 5s National Final in the Aviva on Wednesday. The fifth and sixth classes travelled by bus to Dublin and supported our SPN Team on the day. Our Team played fantastically and were placed in third place in Ireland. The entire School is so proud of this amazing achievement.



Cork City Sports, Thursday 30th May

The Cork City Sports took place on Thursday, it was a very successful day for both the Boys and Girls of Scoil Phádraig Naofa who took part. The standard of our Athletes was exemplary and once again our team represented Scoil Phádraig Naofa with style and displayed their sportsmanship and competitiveness in spades. Pupils, teachers and families turned out on the day and supported our SPN Athletics Team in their droves.

Our relay teams placed fantastically with two first places and one second place.

Scoil Phádraig Naofa had three, first places in the flat races and one, second place in the flat races.

Three children went onto compete in the County Quarter Final and one child represented Scoil Phádraig Naofa in the County Finals.

Dates for your Diary in June:

14th June:

Sport's Day will take place on Friday 14th June, more details will follow shortly.

19th and 20th June 2019:

New Junior Infants First visit to Scoil Phádraig Naofa.

24th June:

Highstreet Books will visit the Halla for School Book Sale Day from 8.00am until 2.30pm.

24th June:

Laura's Schoolwear will visit the Halla for School Uniform Sale Day from 8.00am until 2.30pm.

27th June:

Sixth Class Graduation Mass at 12 Noon in the Halla.

Sixth Class Parents and Sixth Class Pupils are invited.