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NEWSLETTER - March 2019

Voluntary Contributions: Many thanks to all who have contributed so far this year. It is much appreciated. There has been a phenomenal increase in parents paying online. This has made the administration so much easier for Ms Doyle (& no more lost envelopes at the bottom of school bags!)

Thanks to all ☺



News from the Parents' Association - The Parents' Association will be holding a pub quiz this year instead of the Bingo night. This fundraiser will be held in The Club on Thursday 11th April. Start time 8:30pm. Please support!

Bag Packing - Many thanks to all the boys from Rang 5&6 who went bag packing in SuperValu on February 9th & 10th! A total of €1,037.59 was raised.



Charity Swim - On Thursday the 11th of April Rang 6 will take part in a charity swim in Castle Park to raise funds and awareness for the Irish Cancer Society. Best of luck to everyone taking part.



Seachtain na Gaeilge - We are hard at work preparing for our Seachtain na Gaeilge celebrations (1ú - 17ú Márta, 2019)! Beigh comórtas ealaíne, Tráth na gCeist agus ceolchoirm bheag ar siúl i rith na seachtaine. Táimid ag súil go mór leis na himeachtaí go léir. Many thanks again to our Parents' Association for funding the prizes for our celebrations. Go raibh míle maith agaibh!



Sports News - Fifth class are beginning their dance sessions in March with Robert Connor of Dance Theatre Ireland in Dun Laoghaire. Many thanks to the Parents' Association who funded this.



The Leinster Tennis Primary Spring League will also begin this month for our 5th & 6th class team. Go n-éirí an t-ádh libh!



Jonathan Sharkey from **Leinster Rugby**, who was our tag rugby coach earlier in the year, recently came to our school to show us the Heineken Cup and Pro-14 Trophy which Leinster won this year. Thanks Jonathan!

Green Schools News - Our Walk on Wednesday from Cuala throughout February was a great success and we hope that everyone will continue walking, cycling or scooting to school as the weather improves.

Check out our Green Schools blog at <https://hbnsgreenschools.weebly.com> for the latest news and pictures from our school.



Chess News - Recently a team of four from Rang 6 competed in the Alex Baburin chess tournament, Ireland's only grandmaster of chess! They came third and qualified for the Leinster Finals. A team of eight was chosen to play in the Leinster Finals - Chenjie Long, Diarmuid Power, Cathal Power, Luca Rizzi, Daniel O'Connor, Conor Flanagan, Conor Brodrick and Noah O'Regan. They came second in the qualifiers and fourth in the finals, meaning they have made it through to the All-Ireland Nationals. A huge congratulations to all involved!



Stay Safe - 2nd, 4th & 6th class have begun the Stay Safe programme as part of the SPHE (Social Personal and Health Education) curriculum. This programme will be completed by Easter.



Curriculum Planning - All primary schools are required to close for one school day to plan for the New Primary Language Curriculum. We have chosen **Monday 25th of March** for our school closure.

Gaeilgeoir na Seachtaine

Rang 2	Crosby Ó Conchobhair, Ruairí Ó Nullain, Seabaistian Ó Liatháin
Rang 3	Diolun Ó Caoimh, Séamus Ó hÉideáin, Seán Ó Caomhánaigh
Rang 4	Ruán Mag Eochaidh, Dáithí Ó Duibheannaigh, Madhav Nambiar Sandip
Rang 5	Tomás Ó Bigín, Padraig Mac Uidhir
Rang 6	Conchúir Ó Broin, Leo Scinéir



Tables Champion Competition - At the end of every month each class will take part in a tables championship organised by Mr. Bracken. Well done to our January winners:

Rang 2	Jac Owens
Rang 3	Darragh Kral & William Byrne
Rang 4	Daniel Noonan
Rang 5	Harrison Torrices
Rang 6	Cathal Power

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

March 7 th	11am Confirmation
March 18 th	Public Holiday, School Closed
March 25 th	School Closure - Curriculum Planning Day
April 11 th	Pub Quiz in The Club 8:30pm
April 12 th	12 noon to April 29 th 8.50 a.m. - Easter Holidays

Le gach dea ghuí,

Teresa Buckley
Principal