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## Newsletter - November 2020

**Voluntary Contributions** are needed for the running of the school. Please send in what you can afford as soon as possible.



**Oral Language** - Many thanks for your support with this so far, please continue to support your son at home with his weekly Oral Language homework. Practise Oral Language skills at home, e.g. encouraging ongoing conversation, asking questions, attending to listening skills, maintaining eye contact, reading aloud with your son.



**Green Schools News** - We'd like to welcome our new Green Schools Committee for 2020-21 who will be working towards our seventh flag on the theme of Global Citizenship - Energy. The class representatives are:

2 <sup>nd</sup> Class	3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	4 <sup>th</sup> Class	5 <sup>th</sup> Class	6 <sup>th</sup> Class
Luca Gasparro	Brendan Cronin	Tom O'Shea	Michael Taylor	Patrick Kelly

We also ran a recycled musical instrument competition just before the mid-term break which showed off the creativity and musical skill in the school. After a very tough judging session, the class winners were:

2 <sup>nd</sup> Class	3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	4 <sup>th</sup> Class	5 <sup>th</sup> Class	6 <sup>th</sup> Class
Zac Taylor-Gough	Hugh Dunleavy	Alex Cullen	John Kavanagh	Dáithí Devaney
Ronan Murdock	Ethan Cassidy	Fionn Crowley	Alex Kral	Chenjie Long
Rory O'Connor	Donal Mulcahy	Crosby O'Connor	Rory Murphy	Daryll Renni



**Autumn Photography Competition 2020** - We had a fantastic response to our Autumn Photography Competition with over 70 entries from across the school. With the standard and creativity of entries so high we were delighted to have the experts from *Photogenic Photographers* in Dalkey take on the role of guest judges. Deciding on winners wasn't easy and they were very impressed with the boys' work. Well done everyone who took part.

**And the winners are.....**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Class James McSherry-Power - "Blackberries"
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Peter Farrell - "Girl laughing among leaves" & **OVERALL WINNER**
- 4<sup>th</sup> Class Haocher Liao - "Colourful Leaves"
- 5<sup>th</sup> Class Jake Tran - "Silhouette of a jumping dog"
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Class "Special Mention" Beau McCabe - Silhouette of Hands and Knife
- 6<sup>th</sup> Class Daithí Devaney - "Orange Raindrops"

(Each Class Winner will receive a voucher for the Gutter Bookshop & the Overall Winner will receive a Portrait from Photogenic Photographers)

**Sincere thanks to Photogenic for giving so generously of their time and sponsoring the top prize!**



**GOAL Jersey Day** was organised this year by Dan Noonan & Bobby Bridgeman. A total of €288.05 was raised. Thanks to all who supported this event, which took place on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October.



**PA Fundraising** - Many thanks to our Parents' Association for their fundraising. With these funds we will be able to provide each class with some fabulous new resources.



**Friendship Week 2020** - Our third *Friendship Week* at Harold Boys' will take place after the midterm break from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Each day will be themed; **Musical Monday** - Homemade Recyclable Instruments being used to accompany songs in school, **Together Tuesday** - Debating between the classes via Zoom, **Wellness Wednesday** - No written homework - spend time with a friend instead, **Thoughtful Thursday** - Classroom activities, & **Friendship Friday** - Compliment Circles, 6<sup>th</sup> Class create an obstacle course for each class to try out.



**Science Week 2020** - We will be celebrating Science Week from 8<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> November. We look forward to seeing plenty of experiments, both at school and at home, during the week.



**Sports News:** We are delighted to have sport up and running for all classes! We have GAA on Tuesdays with Mark Brennan from Cuala. There is rugby for four weeks on a Wednesday with Jonathan Sharkey from Leinster Rugby. Ed Randolph is coaching basketball on Thursdays and Fifth Class are taking part in the *Cycle Right* programme on Fridays. A busy schedule for all the boys!



**Gaeilgeoir na Seachtaine:**

Rang 2	Rónán Mac Muireartaigh, Anraí Montag, Floinn Ó Murchú, Oilibhéar Doibín
Rang 3	Éibhear McCallig, Anlón Braonáin, Ciarán de Róiste, Aodh Dunleavy
Rang 4	Roibéard Séamus, Daniel Ceallaigh, Ruairí Nullain, Roibéard Liao
Rang 5	Gavyn Ó hEoghain, Ádamh Broin, Dáire Kral
Rang 6	Cian Chuilleanáin, Tomás Ó Caisside, Oisín Ó hÍfearnáin, Caoimhín de Roiste



**Dates for Your Diary:**

November 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Friendship Week
November 9 <sup>th</sup>	Science Week
November 16 <sup>th</sup>	History Week
December 22 <sup>nd</sup>	12pm to Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 8.50am - Christmas Holidays

Le gach dea ghuí,

Teresa Buckley  
Principal