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NEWSLETTER - JANUARY 2020



Cyber Safety Talk: Many thanks to Aisling Begley and the Parents' Association who, together with Ms. O'Carroll, have organised an Internet Safety Talk with Cyber Safe Ireland. This talk will take place on January 15th at 7:15pm, and will be for all parents and for the pupils of 3rd - 6th. Your attendance at this talk is of huge importance.

Voluntary Contributions: Many thanks to all who have contributed so far this year. It is much appreciated.

Science Open Evening: On January 28th 2020 we will be holding our Science Open Evening as part of our Discover Primary Science Award of STEM Excellence Project. Please come along and see our science exhibitions on display in each classroom.

Christmas Cards: Every boy designed a card and was able to order a complete set of his own design. These proved very popular and raised €1,540 for the Parents' Association. We look forward to this again next year.

Road Safety outside the School: You can help in the following ways:

- Comply with the Voluntary One-Way System. Please drive in the direction of Castle St. to Carysfort Rd. only
- Yield at the YIELD sign outside the school gate.
- Never park in the SET DOWN area. This is a pick up/drop off point for 8.50 am & 2.30pm.
- Do not park on Double Yellow lines on St. Patrick's Road.
- Do not park in neighbours' driveways.
- Please ensure to meet your son across the road at 2:30pm and not outside the gate.

Reporting your son's absence: All absences must be recorded in writing & sent to your son's teacher. Please do not phone Ms Doyle to explain why your son is absent. You may find it useful to complete the absence notes on page 109 of your son's Homework Journal.

Scríobh Leabhar: All pupils are now busy writing for the annual competition. We look forward to seeing their books on display during our Open Evening.

Christmas Art Competition Winners: What an amazing standard we had this year! Judging was extremely difficult! Thanks to the Parents' Association for the prizes. The following were the winners:

| | Rang 2 | Rang 3 | Rang 4 | Rang 5 | Rang 6 |
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| 1 st | Ethan Cassidy | Jac Owens | Adam Byrne | Adam McCormick | Colm Heylin |
| 2 nd | Lorcan Brandon Segura | Sebastian Lyons | Will Byrne | Robbie McKenna | Seán Kelly |
| 3 rd | Brendan Cronin | Max Robinson | Rylan McGill | Dan Noonan | Cillian Randles |

Green Schools News: Following on from the DLR Recycled Christmas Decoration Competition, we also participated in Lisney Dalkey's Sustainable Christmas Decoration Competition where students had to decorate wooden baubles for the Lisney Dalkey Christmas Tree. We'd also like to thank Lisney Dalkey for giving 2nd class the opportunity to meet Santa at the Lisney Grotto too. A great time was had by all the students involved. For further Green Schools' news and photos, be sure to check out the Green Schools' section of our school website at https://www.haroldboysdalkey.ie/green-schools.

Sports News: Sixth class will begin their swimming sessions on Thursday 9th January and will have their sponsored Charity Swim on Thursday 23rd April. Good luck boys!

Congratulations: to Beau McCabe who was highly commended in the DLR recycled Christmas Decoration Competition. We are very grateful to Roberts for displaying the other fantastic decorations over the holidays.

Gaeilgeoir na Seachtaine:

| Rang 2 | Rían Maolchathaigh, Pádraig Ó Briain, Éibhear Ó Ceallacháin |
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| Rang 3 | Ruadhan Doidín, Cathal Aodha, Cuirtéis Ó Collatáin |
| Rang 4 | Nicolás Ó Maoldomhnaigh, Jake Tran, Will Ó Broin |
| Rang 5 | Madhav Sandip Nambiar, Daryll Renni, Chenji Ó Lanagáin |
| Rang 6 | Seán Ó Ceallaigh, Tomás Bigín, Séamus Mac Searraigh |

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

| January 15 th | Cyber Safety Talk for Parents 7.15pm |
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| January 20 th | First Penance - Rang 2, 7.30 pm |
| January 28 th | Open Evening - 6.00 - 7.30 p.m. |
| February 14 th | 2.30 p.m February 24 th 8.50 am - Midterm |
| March 5 th | Confirmation - Rang 6 11am |
| May 23 rd | 1 st Communion - Rang 2 11am |

Le gach dea ghuí,

Teresa Buckley Principal