

Scéalta 26
News & Information for
St. Mochta's National School Community
14th March 2018

Confirmation

- Congratulations to all our Candidates who celebrated their Confirmation yesterday. It was a lovely ceremony and we are very proud of all our boys and girls.
- Thank you to our teachers, Ms. Mackle, Mr. Mullarkey, Ms. Fitzgerald, Mr. McAdam and Ms. Wall who prepared the children so well for this sacrament.
- A special thank you also to Mary Greene from our Parish for all her work in helping with the preparations. Thanks to Bishop Field, Fr. Ward and Deacon Tim for making the ceremony so special for each candidate.
- A huge Thank You as ever, to our wonderful PA and volunteer parents who catered for all families and friends who attended the ceremony yesterday. This ensures that all our candidates have the opportunity to mix with their friends after the ceremony. Thanks to our school choir for the lovely music.
- County Photos have taken photos of all our boys and girls this morning. Order forms will be sent home after the Easter break.

County Photos for the whole school

All photos ordered were delivered to classes yesterday. Should you have any queries, please contact County Photos directly at 090 6627444.

Peter Pan

Congratulations to the cast of Peter Pan who did our school proud over five sold out performances at the Draíocht last week. It was an amazing show and every girl and boy performed to the best of their ability - well done. We would like to thank everybody who helped make the show such a success – our cast, staff and volunteer parents – it wouldn't happen without you! A special thank you to Mr. Cryan and the Production Team – Ms. Griffin, Ms. Stewart, Ms. McCarney and Ms. NíMhaicín. St. Mochta's National School is very lucky to have such talented teachers in the school who are willing to share their love of music with our children.

A message from Mr. Cryan – *'thank you to everyone who helped out in any way and a big congratulations to the amazing 78 children who performed on stage'*.

The Peter Pan Fundraising Group has been very fortunate to have a number of prizes donated to the school. They would like a pupil from the school to have the opportunity to win these amazing prizes. This raffle is limited to the boys and girls of our school.

The prizes are as follows:-

1. Ipad
2. Bike
3. Peter Pan Cake and BASE Entertainment Family Pass
4. Dunboyne Voucher – Lunch for 2

And many more prizes.....

Tickets cost €2.00. As a result of the show and our Confirmation, the collection of ticket money was delayed. However, our Student Council will start collecting money this Friday and next Monday. The draw will take place next Wednesday and winners will be announced in next week's Scéalta. Good luck to all the boys and girls.

Funding Letter – Voluntary Contribution

Last November, we appealed to parents/guardians to make a voluntary contribution. We would like to thank everybody who has contributed so far. This letter is usually issued twice a year and will be emailed again to families towards the end of this week.

Relationship and Sexuality Education (RSE)

During March and April 2018, under the heading 'Taking Care of My Body', the lessons related to RSE will be taught. An email will be sent tomorrow to all parents/guardians with further information.

School Closures

- Saturday 17th March is St. Patrick's Day. The following Monday is a bank holiday, therefore, the school will be closed on Monday 19th March 2018.
- The Easter Holidays will run from 26th March 2018 to 6th April 2018 inclusive.

On Friday 23rd March, all classes will finish early as follows:-

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| Junior Infants to 2nd Classes | Finish at 11.40am | Collect directly from the Yard |
| 3rd Classes to 6th Classes | Finish at 12 noon | Collect from outside the main building |

If you have children in the junior and senior end of the school, please respect the finish times. Early collections cannot be accommodated on this day. This is in the interest of Health and Safety of all pupils.

Lost Property

The lost property area will be cleared out on Thursday 22nd March 2018. If you are missing any items, please visit the lost property to reclaim them. Any items left will be recycled over the Easter break.

Sam Maguire Visit

If children have a Dublin jersey, they are invited to wear it to welcome the Sam Maguire Cup to St. Mochta's National School next Wednesday 21st March. Thanks to David Stephenson, Games Promotion Officer, Castleknock GAA for organising this.

Seachtain Na Gaeilge

This week will be celebrated at St. Mochta's National School from Tuesday 20th March to Friday 23rd March. Irish Dancing has been organised in the hall on Tuesday for Junior and Senior Infants. Ceolchoirm sa Halla will take place on Wednesday. There will be various other activities 'as gaeilge' organised throughout the week. Thanks to Mr. Mullarkey for organising all our events. Thank you to Rosemary Duff who is co-ordinating our music and dancers on Wednesday.

Community Notices

St. Mochta's Church Fundraiser

There will be a Céilí/Hooley on Saturday 17th March, 2018 at 8.00pm at the Parish Centre. Tickets cost €10.00. This fundraiser is in support of the costs of repairing the church projectors. There will be music, dancing, refreshments and a raffle on the night. Please support this event.

Luttrellstown Community College

There will be an open night at LCC on Thursday 15th March from 7.00pm to 9.00pm. This night will give you an opportunity to learn about the education journey for your children at Luttrellstown Community College.

Westmanstown Gaels – Easter Camp

The camp takes place from 3rd April 2018 until 6th April. To register for the camp, please follow the link www.westmanstowngaels.com and select kids camps or, alternatively, ring Declan Jennings on 085-8006101.

St. Mochta's Football Club/Balon Easter

St. Mochta's FC is running an Easter Camp from 2nd April to 4th April from 9.30am to 1.30pm for boys and girls aged 5 to 15 years. To register on-line <https://goo.gl/GsyQ4S>