

St. Corban's B.N.S.

Newsletter



2014

Daffodil Day 2014

St. Corban's B.N.S. continues its proud tradition of supporting the Irish Cancer Society by promoting National Daffodil Day here in the school and throughout the wider community. This is our 17th year to be involved with Daffodil Day and we raised **€8,974.00** bringing the total amount raised so far to **€126,924.00**.



A huge thank you to Ms. Brady, Ms. Behan & Ms. McGarr who coordinated this year's fundraising event, to all the people who supported it by buying flowers and making donations and of course to the boys who did all the ground work.

Well done everyone!

*The school staff also raised **€292.00** by hosting a coffee morning.*

Who are the Irish Cancer Society?

The Irish Cancer Society was established in 1963 by Professor Austin Darragh. Since 1963 the Irish Cancer Society has grown into the national charity for cancer care, the leading provider of all information relating to cancer prevention, detection, treatment and support. They also advocate for improvements in cancer services and are the largest voluntary funded of cutting edge cancer research in Ireland.

They rely on the generosity of the public for 94% of their income. Their fundraising initiatives are managed by a fundraising team and a huge base of volunteers, champions and campaigners in every corner of Ireland.

St. Corban's B.N.S. is proud to be associated with the



Seachtain na Gaeilge/Irish Week



We celebrated our Seachtain na Gaeilge from 10th to 14th March .

During the week the boys were encouraged to use Irish throughout the school and to practise their cúpla focal at home. All classes were treated to traditional Irish music and dance sessions in our hall. These music sessions were presented by Rev. Philip Heak for 5th and 6th classes while Mr. Nugent, Ms. Foley and Ms. B. Dunne entertained 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th classes.

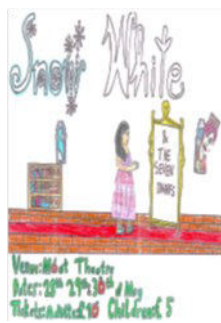


Bhí a lán spórt agus craic againn i rith Seachtain na Gaeilge. Bhí cic agus puc fada againn Dé Cheadaoin. Bhí ceolchoirm ar siúl sa halla Dé Deardaoin agus céilí mór sa chlós Dé hAoine! Bhain gach duine, óg is aosta, an-taitneamh as!

Míle buíochas to Ms. Bonner for organising the week.

School Musical-Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs

This year pupils from 4th, 5th and 6th class will be performing in the school's musical which will be a modern day version of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs". The school show is produced by Ms. McCarille and will take place in the Moat Theatre on the 28th, 29th and 30th of May at 8pm. Acting and dancing auditions took place in February and rehearsals are currently underway.



Tickets for the musical can be bought only through the school and went on sale Monday 7th of April in the school library

Adult tickets (teenagers & adults): €10

Children tickets (primary school pupils): €5

Fill the Van- Friday 21st March

This year we used a local recycling company (Dolly Textile Recycling) for our Fill the Van project. We raised a total of **€1,440**. This very worthwhile project was coordinated by the PTA and the school. It helps raise funds for our school and M.S. Ireland.

A big thank you to everyone who supported it.

Cycle Safety-28th February

The 3rd class boys took part in the yearly cycle safety programme in February which was organised in conjunction with the P.T.A., Gardai and Julie Duffin, Community Warden.



Sports News!

U 10 Football: Our panel has been selected and will play in the league later in the year

U 13 Football : The U 13 started their campaign with a narrow defeat by Maynooth. Matches against Celbridge and Clane will follow after Easter.

Mini 7s Football: Mini 7's football team took part in a blitz in Kill GAA in March and won 2 out of 3 matches played.

Mini 7's Hurling: Our young hurlers retained the U 11 Mini Sevens tournament on April 2nd. The boys defeated both Rathangan BNS and Maynooth BNS in the round-robin final in Naas.

The Panel: *Tadhg Comerford, Mark Maguire, Rossa Stapleton, Ferran O'Sullivan, Seán Hanifin, Dylan Gregory, Declan Kirwan, Gary McDonnell, Jack O'Reilly, Seán Woods and Peter O' Donoghue (capt.)*

Well done to tall the boys and their mentors!

F.A.I. 5-a-side : St. Corban's entered two teams in the recent FAI Primary 5's tournament. Both teams performed excellently on the day, narrowly missing out on the next round. **Teams:** *James McGuinness, Paddy Kelly, Eoghan Maguire, Alex Beirne, Shane Coffey, Jack Scanlon, Paul Dockery, Scott O'Neill, Eoghan Merriman, Jake Sheehan, Tom Browne, Josh Derham, Gary McDonnell, Joshua Masters, Ayomide Ibrahim, Sean Clinche, Liam Walsh.*

Swimming: Swimming instruction started in September and is ongoing for classes 2nd to 6th until the end of June.

Míle buíochas to all the teachers who give so freely of their time - Mr. Rock, Mr. O'Reilly, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Lane, Mr. Ryan, Ms. Butler, Ms. K. O'Brien, Ms. B. Dunne, Ms. Phelan and Ms. McDermott. **Thank you** to Mark Tyrell and Brian Aherne who provide hurling coaching for 1st, 2nd and 3rd class and Daniel Sheehan who has been coaching the 5th and 6th class boys in Gaelic Football.



School Quiz Team

Congratulation to the U 11 and U 13 school quiz team who qualified for the All Ireland Credit Union Final in the RDS on Sunday 6th April. **What a fantastic achievement !!**

Teams: **U 11** Robert Fitzgerald, David Murray, Matthew Davis, and Joe Morrin

U 13 Joe Murphy, Hugh Murray, Dylan Stewart, and Jack Scanlon



School Choir



Our school choir under the guidance of Ms. McCarville, meet every Wednesday to practise. They are a source of great pride in the school and they bring the joy of music to our Confirmation ceremonies and other occasions

Parent Teacher Association

A special thank you to our Parents Association for all their support and hard work throughout the year. Their fundraising and support ensures that the school can provide such a myriad of opportunities to the boys. **Míle buíochas**

School Website
www.stcorbans.com

Remaining School Holidays, Closures – 2013/2014

May Bank Holiday	Monday 6 th May 2014
June Bank Holiday Week	Monday 2nd June 2014 – Fri 6th June 2014 (incl) School re-opens on Mon 9th June 2014 at 9.10a.m.
School Closing	Fri 27th June 2014 (close at 12 noon)

Please Note. School will reopen for the 2014/2015 year on Thursday 28th August 2014

World Poetry Day

To celebrate World Poetry Day Ms. Phelan's class were invited to Naas library to meet the very talented (and extremely funny) Dave Lordan. The boys were encouraged to use their imaginations in a fun and creative way and were given the opportunity to write and present their own poems. The visit was inspiring and entertaining and the boys enjoyed it immensely.

Irish Defence Forces Presentation

On Tuesday 11th of March 2014 Comdt. Darragh Mc Kevitt from the Irish Defence Forces showed the 4th class boys a powerpoint presentation about the Irish Defence Forces. He showed us lots of pictures and spoke about the different sections of the Irish Defence Forces, the naval service, army, overseas service, air corps, artillery and the Curragh. We learned that on May 16th 1922 the British army handed over the Curragh military base to the Irish army. If you are in the army you need to know how to do 5 things, swim, fight, serve over-seas, drive and do ceremonial work. The army practise with live ammunition. They are allowed to fire one heat seeking missile a year, two if they get permission. Did you know it cost 20,000 euro per missile? The Irish army isn't all about guns and war. It is mainly about keeping peace around the world and keeping Ireland safe. The favourite part of the presentation was seeing a fake picture of a sheep in the Curragh dressed as a soldier.



The presentation was very informative and was enjoyed by all.



Display Monitor

E- Auctions Ltd very kindly donated a T.V. Display Monitor to our school. It is situated just inside the door at the main entrance. This monitor is used to advertise and celebrate topical school events and activities. The video is complimented by modern background songs 'as Gaeilge'.

Board of Management

I want to thank my fellow board members who worked selflessly and tirelessly during the year. The support, guidance and wisdom of Jan O'Donoghue, Fr. John Brickley, Robert Murphy, Catherine Howard, Siobhan Woods, Tony McMahon and our Chairperson, Anthony Dolan have been pivotal in the evolution of our school

The staff of St. Corban's would like to wish all of the boys, their parents and families a happy and a healthy Easter. ***Beannachtaí na Cásca daoibh go léir.***

Seán Mac an Draoi
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