



Tralee Educate Together National School

Newsletter N°3

Last Term Edition



And here we are again, almost ready for another summer holiday, saying good bye to 6th Class, rehearsing for Multi Faith & Culture Day and maybe thinking of all what we learned this school year. During the last term so much happened in our school. We continued working on the Garden Project, we finally had good weather and enjoyed Sports Day, had our School

Tours, participated in different activities in our community, had a school clean-up, played basketball every week and finished Spanish lessons in May. We held three Public Talks and enjoyed the company of new families at Open Day. And so many other significant moments that we experienced every day at school. Next September we will be celebrating our 10th Anniversary. A big time for us, so let's start recharging our energy levels this summer and get ready for a big number 10 celebration. **Happy Holidays!!!**

Student Council's Visit to the Town Hall



The Student Council visited the Town Hall on the 27th April and met with Michael Scannell, Town Clerk, Cllr Grace O'Donnell, Mayor of Tralee and Cllr Maireád Fernane.

Denis, Francisce, Gail and Maryanne were present also.

Co-Chairpersons got the opportunity to sit at "top table" and Luke gave a short speech on the school and activities of Student Council.

Members had a chance to ask questions of those present - they had 8 questions prepared in advance. Student Council members were commended on their election, and Town Clerk impressed on them, the importance of having been elected and democracy, etc. Both Councillors relayed some of their experiences on the campaign trail

and election day and answered their questions. Each member was presented with a commemorative scroll - with photograph taken of each individual member with the Mayor. Light refreshments were provided and the Mayor declared one night a "no homework night" for the members.





Children Invited to Public Reading by Tralee Diverse Writers Group

On Saturday 10th of June children from our school were invited by the Tralee Writers Diversity Group to a public reading of their poems and stories at the Allotments Shed. Children from 1st to 6th Class read their poems, sto-

ries and essays. There were readings from a member of Tralee International resource Centre, members of the Writers Group and Jane Ovbude read some extracts from her book. Tommy O'Connor, librarian, spoke and brought books

down from the library for children to read aloud. Groups of the children also sang. The Mayor of Tralee arrived and read from a book and made a speech. There were a number of children not able to attend, so other children read their poems/

stories. The pieces may be included in a book being published by the Writers Group.

The Kerry's Eye took a picture and was published on the following paper edition. This is what Radio Kerry said about the children the day before the readings: "Young writers from a Kerry primary school are today reading their work for the public, courtesy of the Tralee Diverse Writers Group. The group, which is working on a book of Kerry writing, was so impressed with the contributions from the Tralee Educate Together School they decided to give them a public airing. The readings will take place today at the Allotment Shed in Dean's Lane, Tralee - near the library - from 11am to 2pm."



Féile na mBlath

Junior Infants to Second Class went to the town park to take part in the annual Féile na mBláth Festival. Congratulations to the finalist in the Art Competition, Junior and Senior Infants for Work Group: Jana, Yann and Kenny.

During the event, Danny Murphy, the teacher of 1st and 2nd Class, was picked by the Fanzini Brothers to help with the clown performance.





The Bench: New, Strong and Ours.

Our pupils were delighted with the arrival in June of the much expected bench for the school yard.

The Student Council was behind the idea and organisation of many fundraising events, supported by their teachers, the Parents Association and the Board of Management.

The bench is made of weather resistant material and is expected to last for many years and to provide a nice place to sit down during break time.

In the photo there are children of 5th & 6th class around the bench. **Well done Student Council !!!**



Kerry Life Education Bus



We were visited by the Kerry Life Education Bus, where we learned about taking care of ourselves and each other.

Kerry Life Education service makes a significant contribution to the future health and well being of our children by helping them to make healthy choices.

Nature Walk and Mini-Beast Hunt

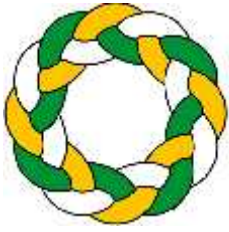


Junior and Senior Infants went on a nature walk in May. They did bark rubbings, collected bluebells and went on a mini-beast hunt using pooters (device used in the collection of insects or other small creatures).

A Fabulous Sports Day



Pupils, Staff and Parents had a very enjoyable Sports morning at Na Gaeil recently in blazing sunshine. All the pupils participated in different activities and the parent's race was very popular! Thank you to the PA who provided drinks and snacks. Children in the picture ready to enter Na Gaeil.



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New Books for our School



We bought over 70 new books for Class. These included a variety of genres, both fiction and non-fiction books. The school money from the Lee Strand Credit Union during the year and we put this towards purchasing our new books. 1st & 2nd class can't wait to get stuck into their newly stocked library.



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Farewell and Good Luck to 6th Class 2012



Farewell and good luck to each and every one of the pupils in 6th Class. Thank you so much for being so good all of these primary school years. We are going to miss you, but we know you are ready to take the next step in your education. **Slán!**

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