

DRUMCONDRA NS NEWSLETTER



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Hi everyone,

That was an incredibly busy term, and I would like to say a belated big welcome in particular to our new Junior Infants and new students who have joined us! Please see below for information on the events and activities which have been happening here in Drumcondra NS.

Marathon Kids Programme: 600m per day is our target each week 🏊🏊🏊🏊.

1st - 6th began their swimming lessons on the 20th of September and this continued for 6 weeks until the mid-term break.

Athletics will start on the 9th of November and will continue for 6 weeks.

Dance, Sing, Act (DSA) will begin on the 8th of November and will continue for 6 weeks.

Donal, the GAA coach/Games Promotion Officer 🏈 will again be coming into us in February 2023.

1st - 6th class visited Botanic Gardens and we celebrated 🍂 the annual Harvest Festival 🍂 in the local church with Ms. Taggart's class leading the assembly. We also had great fun in the Church grounds for our annual Halloween Hunt!

Please visit ClassDojo also for any additional Class/School News, pictures or information!

If you have any questions or queries, please contact:
office@drumcondrans.is

or principal@drumcondrans.ie

Best regards,
Karl Lawless



Allergy Awareness

As we all know, we have children in Drumcondra NS with severe allergies to nuts. Please remember that **no food with nuts should ever be brought into school**. We appreciate your help with this.

Green Schools News



We celebrated Climate Action Week in school and Friday was Climate Action Day. 1st, 2nd and 3rd class are our Green Schools Committee.

The whole school have taken Climate Action Pledges and The Green Schools Committee will be making an informative graph based on their findings.

Junior Infants, Senior Infants and 4th-6th Class went on a lovely nature walk as well to mark the day.

Well done to Teddie, Valeria and Joanna for winning our first Green Schools competition!

Healthy Lunchboxes

Please remember we have a Healthy Eating Policy in school and **one** treat (chocolate, crisps, biscuits etc.+) should only be sent in on a Friday only. We have also started the school milk programme again and please let us know if your child would like to register.



COVID 19 Reminder

Please remember you must keep your child home from school if they have a temperature, a new cough, shortness of breath or changes to sense of taste or smell. In line with most recent HSE advice, you must also keep them home if they have a headache or sore throat. Please see the HSE website for further information, remain cautious and if in doubt, contact your GP. Thank you!

Dates for your Diary

September 20th/ October 25th – Swimming started/finish dates.
September 23rd – Harvest Assembly and Festival.

October – Student Council elections (see below)

October 28th – Dress up and Halloween hunt. School closes at 2.05pm and reopens on Monday November 7th at 8.25am.

November – TBA - Maths Week.

November 7th – Xmas Card Deadline.

November 8th Dance, Sing, Act-This will run for 6 weeks in Ierne.

November 9th Athletics – This will run for 6 weeks.

November 14th - 18th - Science Week: More info to follow closer to the time.

November – TBA – Parent Teacher Meetings.

December 12th – Exploration Dome! <https://explorationdome.ie>

December 13th – Xmas Show in Ierne.



Parish News

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone for the Parish Sale which was such a resounding success. We look forward to celebrating the Harvest festival and visiting the Church for songs and assembly in October.

Senior Room

Student Council

We had our Student Council Elections on Thursday and the results are in.

President: Ross Darby (5th)
Vice President: Cooper Scott Birney (5th)
Treasurer: Shonagh Cunniffe (6th)
Secretary: Aisling Palleschi (6th)
Hannah Souto López (6th)
Sonny Mullen (6th)
Adam Nahusenay (5th)

Congratulations ☐ to the new Student Council members and well done to everyone who put their name forward and ran in this election 🗳️
The voting results were extremely close!
Everyone should be very proud of themselves!



Library/Christchurch Cathedral Visit

4th, 5th & 6th Class were invited to an Author's Reading (and Q&A) in Drumcondra Library. The novel is 'The Book of Secrets' by Irish author 🖋️ Alex Dunne. The class had some excellent questions for Alex and we're looking forward to reading the rest of her novel over the coming weeks.



The Student Council attended the Annual Church of Ireland Dublin & Glendalough Diocesan Service @ Christchurch.



Infants

We learned all about patterns. Here are some patterns that we made!



Here's some of our Autumn trees that we painted! 🍁 🌿 🍂



We went on a nature walk to look for signs of Autumn. We made journey sticks out of the things we saw on our walk. 🍁 🌿 🍂



Middle Room



From Ms Taggart : 'Wow! What a brilliant day was had by everyone in the middle room. I am so proud of all the children in our class for working so hard learning lines, prayers, dance moves and songs for the Harvest Assembly!' ☐☐

We had a super day baking with Mrs Wilson, playing outside, having fun on the iPads, and watching a movie.

Lantern Making/Autumn Display!



Happy Halloween
everyone!!

