

LISNAGRY SCHOOL NEWS



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Sacraments

Second Class will celebrate their First Holy Communion on 16th May at 11a.m. Our Sixth Class will make their confirmation on Sunday 1st March.

Health Promoting School

We received formal recognition as a Health Promoting School once again and we are continuing our health promotion work this year. The committee's new monthly initiatives are proving very successful "Say it September" encouraged everyone to say something they are good at while "Open October" encourages all our school community to try new things. Please be mindful of our healthy eating policy and in particular that only small treats are permitted on Fridays. We are continuing to participate in the Daily Mile, an initiative that sees pupils run or jog regularly.

Cross Country Running

Over 60 children took part in the Limerick Primary Schools Cross Country in the Race Course on Wednesday 16th October. It was a very enjoyable experience for all concerned.

Maths Week

Maths Week was celebrated in the school from 14th to 18th October. It was a huge success and really helped Halloween 2019



success and really helped learners of all ages enjoy maths and its creativity. There was a buzz around the school with all the fun and challenging activities and problems throughout the week. Classes were out in the fresh air using iPads and using their maths eyes observing real life maths in the environment. They were involved in mathopoly, card games, jigsaws, target boards. Izak9 challenges were also popular in the senior classes. It was a wonderful celebration of maths and it really allowed everyone to see and understand the importance of maths in everyday life.

Girls and Boys Gaelic
Football
The Cumann na
mBunscol season has begun
again. Well done to our
girls and boys football
teams who have qualified
for the finals in the Gaelic
Grounds on 11th November.

Board of Management The annual review of our child safeguarding statement and anti-bullying policy were completed at last weeks meeting.

Roof Works Unfortunately due to factors outside our

control our roof works did not commence during the holidays. The remedial work on our flat roof corridor is ongoing at present while the windows at the front of the school will be replaced during the Halloween break. The work on the roof of the senior classrooms will not commence until next summer.

A <u>Fire Drill</u> was carried out last week in the school.

Parents Association

Thanks to everyone who attended the AGM last week. It was great to see some new faces. Please support our Halloween Cake Sale on Friday. We also hope to start a new Split The Pot fundraiser after mid-term.

Digital Learning Plan We are implementing our elearning plan this year with all classes. Our vision is to emphasise the integration of ICT across the curriculum. All classes will be involved in using content creation tools/apps along with some coding and computation thinking activities each term. Our DLP is available to view on our school website.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Vex Robotics Following the

success of this initiative last year our 5th class pupils will participate in this exciting and fun programme again this year. Pupils are tasked with designing and building a robot in a game based engineering challenge. They learn all about STEM while having great fun. Pupils also acquire other skills such as project management, presentation skills, teamwork, leadership and much more.

Concern Primary School
Debating 6th class pupils will take part in this initiative.
This is another great opportunity to learn valuable life skills. They will learn to speak in public and in front of their peers, develop skills in research and debating and gain a deeper understanding of global issues.

<u>Science Week</u> We will celebrate Science week in the school from the 10th to the 17th Nov.

<u>Bat Workshop</u> All classes from 1st to 6th will take part on Tuesday 22nd Oct.

Halloween Fancy Dress

The children will be allowed dress up in Halloween costumes on Friday 25th October (full day). Our annual Halloween cake sale will also take place in the Halla from 1.30p.m on that day. Please-support our first fundraiser of this school year.

<u>Hope Shoebox Appeal</u> We ask for your support with this very worthy cause. Children can prepare their shoeboxes during the Halloween break.

Halloween Holidays We look forward to a safe and restful Halloween break. We will re-open on Mon 4th Nov.