

# LISNAGRY SCHOOL NEWS



December 2019

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The school Twitter and Facebook account are an ideal way to get a flavour of what's happening in the school or to learn about events that may be of interest. There are lots of up to date pics, videos and news.

**Board of Management** Our new Board of Management members assumed office on 1st December. They are as follows: Noel Fox—Chairperson  
Colin Marsden—Patron Nom  
Michael Feeney—Secretary  
Ellen Condon—Parent Nom  
James Moran—Parent Nom  
Eimear Carroll—Teacher Nom  
Michael Tierney—Comm Nom  
Irene Hynes—Comm Nom

## Parents Association

Thank you to those who attended our last Parents Association meeting and a warm welcome to our new officers who were elected. Thank you to everyone for your support with our latest fundraising initiative, Split the Pot school raffle. A Tesco bag pack has also been organised for this Saturday 21st Dec and we would appreciate your support if you are available to help.

## Health Promoting School

The HPS committees monthly initiatives are proving very successful. This month is "Donate December" and it encourages all our school community to give as much as we can to those less fortunate.



County Football Champions 2019

It feels good to help others. 5th and 6th class will practice yoga for 6 weeks in the new year. There are many physical and mental benefits to this practice.

## Christmas Shoebox Appeal

We were delighted with your generous support for our Hope Foundation shoebox appeal.

**School Choir** Our school choir went carol singing in the Crescent Shopping Centre last Saturday and raised over €700 for the Jack and Jill Foundation. They also sang at Riverbrook Nursing Home on Friday last.

## Science Week 2019

Our school was a hive of activity celebrating science week. Each class conducted experiments and displayed their findings. We had a Scienceteaser of the Day, class challenges and the week culminated with our whole school science fair on Friday. Our junior pupils had to make the tallest tower they could using just 20 paper cups while our senior pupils took part in the Egg drop challenge. Science week saw our pupils exploring, designing, hypothesising and working together on various science projects. It was a great success.

## Motus Learning Workshop

Our sixth class pupils took part in a workshop with Motus Learning recently. Motus edu-

cates children about how to take care of their mental health and help teachers to cultivate a pro-social mental health environment while taking care of themselves. The program directly teaches children how to deal with difficult life situations and develop healthy emotion regulation strategies.

## Student Council

Our newly elected student council members were presented at assembly. We look forward to the new ideas and inspiration they will bring on behalf of the entire student body in Lisnagry.

## County Football Champions

For just the second time in the history of the school our boys football team captured the County Shield. They comprehensively defeated the city champions Monaleen N.S in the final played in Rathkeale. In the semi finals they overcame the south champions Kilmallock. We are so proud of all the players on a wonderful achievement.

## Upcoming Events:

### School Mass

We will have a School Mass for the children and staff this Tuesday 17th Dec in the school halla.

### Christmas Choral Afternoon

The children will sing carols on Wednesday afternoon starting at 1:15. Thanks to everyone who has supported our raffle and

contributed towards our wonderful hampers.

## Vex Robotics

Fifth class have been working hard this term preparing for the Mid West regional Vex IQ challenge which takes place on Tuesday 28th January. The programme allows the pupils to design, build and program their very own robot. The vex competition gives pupils the opportunity to apply their newfound STEM skills in an enthralling game based engineering challenge.

## Primary Schools Robotics Comp 2020

Our sixth class pupils will take part in the Analog Devices Primary Schools Robotics competition. An EV3 senior robotics workshop will be provided from LearnIT on Tuesday 21st January and the pupils will work in teams to build and program a robot. The selected team will then go forward to participate in the final.

## Science Blast

Our 4th class pupils will display a class project at the ESB science blast in MIC Limerick on Thursday 21st May 2020.

**Swimming** First and Third class will commence swimming lessons in UL on Mondays from 6th January.

## Parent/Teacher Meetings

Our annual P.T.M. are scheduled for Wed 22nd and Thurs 23rd January 2020.

## Christmas Holidays

The school will close at 12.30pm on the 20th December. We will reopen on Monday 6th January. As always, you have been hugely supportive of the school in all its endeavours and I would like to express my sincere appreciation. On behalf of the staff and the Board of Management, I would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas.

Nollaig Shona Daoibh go léir-Mise le meas,

**Michael Feeney**