

October 2023

### St. Patrick's Primary School

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### Principal's Desk

Welcome to the October edition of our school newsletter. October was an action packed month with lots of enjoyable activities organised for all.

Mr. Barry and Ms.O Donoghue brought our football team to the Mini-7's tournament on the 2nd October. They won all their matches but unfortunately lost the final to Gaelscoil Mhic Amhlaigh. Well done to the players and their coaches for representing our school so well.

Thanks to Ms. Conway and Ms, Clancy for organising Stephen Mc Ginley (Circus Performer – Creative Schools Programme) to give workshops in October. 1st, 2nd & 3rd third class went to the Babaró festival...

Music Generation teachers gave some Brass and Ukulele taster classes to children in first to sixth class. After school music classes will run for 6 weeks until Christmas.

The children had great fun dressing up for Halloween with prizes presented in the hall for the Best Dressed in each class. Everyone enjoyed a well deserved rest over the Mid Term Break.

We will have an Open Day on Tuesday 5th December for new enrolments in September 2024. Please check out our enrolment enquiry form on the website and a member of the team will get back to you.

Best wishes,

Marian Barrett



#### October Highlights

- Mini 7s team reach final
- New Aistear Room
- Halloween Dress-Up
- · Maths Week
- New Student Council elected
- Circus Performance Workshops
- Baboró

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### MINI 7S GAELIC FOOTBALL



Well done to our Gaelic football team who reached the final of the Mini 7s football competition at the Prairie at the beginning of October.

The boys played six matches in total, winning five of them. Gaelscoil Mhic Amhlaigh defeated us in the final. It was a great start to the year for our Gaelic footballers, and we look forward to more training and matches as the year progresses.

### OUR NEW AISTEAR ROOM

Our new Aistear
Room opened
recently and is
proving to be a big
hit with Junior &
Senior Infants.

This year we have dedicated an entire classroom to the Aistear framework, and it is used daily by our infant classes.

The room is set-up and kitted out in the theme for the month, meaning that it's ready to go for the children each day!



### **OUR STUDENT COUNCIL**



Congratulations to our newly elected student council which gives our children a voice and encourages them to share their thoughts and ideas for the benefit of the school. The students are very excited to represent their classes.

### **SCHOOL CLUBS & ACTIVITIES**



The following clubs will run until Christmas. Register through the Aladdin Connect App. All clubs take place from 2.10pm – 3.10pm

### **MONDAY:**

Chess Club (Room 17)

#### **TUESDAY:**

Lego Club 1st – 6th (Room 4)
Senior Guitar Club (Library)
Gaelic Football 5th/6th (School Yard)

#### WEDNESDAY

Beginners Ukulele Club 1st - 4th (Library)

#### **THURSDAY:**

Basketball 2nd - 6th (School Hall)

### ST. PAT'S PRE-SCHOOL



The Sunflower and Rainbow classes have settled well into the new preschool year. We have had a busy few weeks getting to know each other and making new friendships and most importantly have lots of fun.

## **JUNIOR ASD CLASS (ROOM 2)**



### JUNIOR INFANTS (ROOM 4)



Happy Halloween! October was a very spooky month in Junior Infants. The children had great fun brewing potions in the potion's lab. We printed some scary spiders and pumpkins for art and we even made halloween pizzas! The children looked fantastic in their halloween costumes.

### SENIOR INFANTS (ROOM 1)













Senior Infants have been making great use of our new Aistear Room this
October to create lots of spooky spells and potions. We carved pumpkins and
even made our own slime. We were very lucky to get a chance to take part in a
circus workshop where we learned lots of new skills such as balancing and
juggling. We had great fun getting dressed up for Halloween and created some
wonderfully spooky Halloween art.

## **SENIOR ASD CLASS (ROOM 3)**



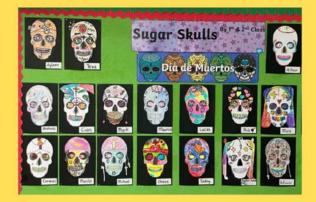
We celebrated a birthday in Room 3 this month.

We had lots of fun on Halloween Dress Up day, there were lots of different spooky characters in the room.

We enjoyed lots of Halloween art activities too.

### 1ST/2ND CLASS (ROOM 8)

















October was another busy, fun filled month for us in 1st and 2nd Class!
We had circus workshops with Stephen McGinley where we learned to juggle,
balance objects, perform tricks and lots more.

We went to the Town Hall Theatre to watch the Baboró show Polar Bear & Penguin. It was a fantastic show and we loved experiencing a trip to the theatre.

We created lots of Hallowe'en art, including our very colourful sugar skulls

And of course we dressed up for Hallowe'en and did a great job trying to scare

our teacher-we think she had fun trying to scare us too!

We are continuing to develop our cursive writing skills and we are becoming experts at reading the time in Maths Class.

### 2ND/3RD CLASS (ROOM 7)

What an exciting and fun-filled month October was.

We learned how to do some really cool circus tricks like juggling and balancing objects with Stephen McGinley.

We also went to see a really cool exhibition called "I see you like this" as part of Baboro arts week.

We continued learning the ukulele and some students have decided to take it on as an after school activity every Wednesday. On the last day before our midterm break we all dressed up and Nathane, Maddy and Joao won best dressed.















### 4TH CLASS





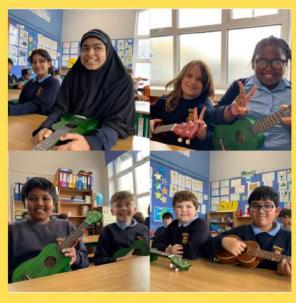












# 5TH/6TH CLASS (ROOM 12)



Room 12 enjoyed a wide range of learning opportunities from mathematics, writing genre, science, art, baking, smoothie making, seed germination, music and movie animation to name a few. Bhí go leor Gaeilge á labhairt chomh maith. Thank you to Ms. Murray who was instrumental in organising such interesting lessons.

### 6TH CLASS (ROOM 18)



Thanks to Garda Cáit & Garda Kevin who gave a talk about saefty at Halloween



Well done to all who dressed up at Halloween, and to our prize winners - Senan, Alana & Ingrid!









Maths Week 2023 was a big hit in our class. We took part in a Zoom Quiz with over 500 schools around Ireland, solved the daily puzzle challenge, used our mini-whiteboards & took part in various interactive games.