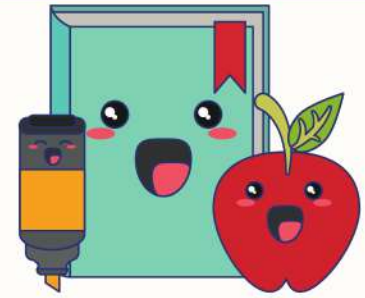




# St. Patrick's Primary School



Easter 2025

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## Principal's Desk

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the Easter Edition of our school newsletter. We hope you enjoy looking at all the events that took place in February & March.

One of the big events that took place at the beginning of March was the Whole School Evaluation. I sincerely want to thank all the teachers, SNAs and ancillary staff for working so hard in the run up to the WSE. The inspectors who visited our school gave us an excellent report overall. We were praised for the very good standards of teaching, learning, pupil wellbeing, school self-evaluation along with leadership and management. I would like to thank the inspectors for the lovely rapport they had with the children and staff. We will start to implement their recommendations in the coming months.

The children in 1st/2nd class made their First Confession in a lovely ceremony on the 2nd April in the Augustinian Church with Fr. Tony, Greg, Oman. The children were so well prepared. I want to thank Ms. Clancy & Ms. Conway, as well as Ms. Nolan & Ms. Jennings who helped to prepare the children for this sacrament. We look forward to seeing you all at the First Holy Communion on Friday 23rd May.

Our Parents' Association have organised classes for parents who wish to improve their English. There will be a QR code in your child's school bag with a link to application form in your language. The classes will take place after Easter. Please contact the PA on [saintpatrickspa@gmail.com](mailto:saintpatrickspa@gmail.com) if you would like to join the PA or wish to volunteer in the library.

On behalf of the board of management and the team in St. Pat's I wish you all a restful and enjoyable Easter break. Thank you for your continued support.

Warm regards,  
Marian Barrett



### Highlights

- St. Patrick's Day
- Seachtain na Gaeilge
- World Book Day
- Musical performances
- First Confession
- Daffodil Day
- Bake Sale
- Gaelic Football with Oisin
- Football Blitz
- Beach Trip
- Green Schools Update

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# Green Schools News



Our wonderful St Pats pupils and teachers have been hard at work supporting the Green Schools this term again. Thank you!

Our creative pupils designed posters that were displayed on our school railings promoting Green methods of travel.

Our March WOW day resulted in a whopping **reduction of 51 cars!** We are so proud and grateful to all the families that made the effort to walk, bus, scoot, cycle, and park & stride. **Thank you** for helping the children achieve this.

After 2 years we have finally submitted our application so keep your fingers crossed that we are awarded our flag in May.

However the fun doesn't stop here. We look forward to a very exciting Bike week and some Scooter workshops in Term 3.

# GAELIC FOOTBALL BLITZ



Well done to all the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class boys who participated in the recent Gaelic Football Blitz hosted by Fr. Griffin's/ Éire Óg at the Swamp. The glorious sunshine was an added bonus! Both of our teams competed well, with the white team losing the final narrowly to Menlo.

A great day out was had by all!

# FUNDRAISING

It's been a busy few weeks of fundraising in the school. Thanks to everyone for all their contributions. We will be giving you a sneak peak of our new Gross Motor Room very soon, and we are well on our way towards purchasing a new sensory pod



Tesco Fund –  
Donation of €748



School Band concert  
on Mainguard Street  
raised €335.26



Our Student Council raised €228 for the Irish Cancer Society on Daffodil Day



No uniform day for St.  
Patrick's weekend raised  
€173



Easter Bake Sale raised  
€357.70

# ST. PAT'S PRE-SCHOOL



It's been another busy month in our pre-school! Everyone has been enjoying all of the activities indoors and the recent sunshine!

# HAPPY EASTER FROM ROOM 2



We're very proud of Ned & Jamie who made their First Confession recently.



Spring has sprung this term in Room 2!

We've been enjoying healthy eating with the Food Dudes, printmaking with fruit and baking. We enjoyed Book Week stories at Charlie Byrne's, wonderful music in the hall and dressing in green for Lá Glas. We've had fun on our garden trips, planting and watching our seeds grow tall. Happy Easter everyone!

# Junior Infants A (Room 4)

The Supermarket and Space have been two very exciting themes. We had an author visit and a trip to Charlie Byrne's Book shop to celebrate World Book Day. We also started Gaelic football lessons with our new coach. We really enjoyed taking our handwriting lesson outside, writing our names and drawing pictures with chalk in the sunshine.



# Junior Infants (Room 3)



Spring is in the air!

Junior Infants have been busy this Spring! We have been planting seeds and watching them grow! We went on a Spring nature walk looking for signs of Spring. We played in the Garden Centre during Aistear.



We celebrated St.Patrick's Day and Seachtain na Gaeilge.



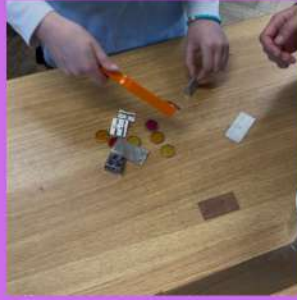
# SENIOR INFANTS (ROOM 1)



Senior Infants rounded off Term 2 with an Easter Egg hunt in the school garden in the lovely sunshine

Happy Easter everyone!

# 1ST CLASS (ROOM 8)



*First Class have had a fantastic second term! We experimented with magnets, listened to lots of stories during Book Week, made beautiful Mother's Day cards, dressed in green for Lá Glas, had fun with papier mache and started Gaelic skills!*

*Our very exciting news is that some children in our class made their First Confession in April. It was a very special day!*

# 2ND CLASS (ROOM 7)

We've had a fantastic second term here in 2nd class. We celebrated a very special day when some of the children made their First Confession. We also started Gaelic football with Oisín and we may have some future county football stars in our midst. We've been so lucky with this beautiful weather and have taken the opportunity when we can to go outside and learn. Wishing everyone a wonderful Easter break 🐣🐰 and looking forward to seeing what term 3 has in store for us ❤️



# SENIOR AUTISM CLASS



What a busy second term we've had!

Recently, we had a visit from Dr Kelly, teaching us all about the heart and our cardiovascular system – we each got to use the stethoscope to hear our heartbeats! The Lego Hunt at the Galway City Museum was a big hit, as was seeing the show, 'When the Moon Spun Round' based on WB Yeats work for children.

Food Dudes has really helped in encouraging us to eat healthily and try different fruit and vegetables. We've been learning all about native and non-native trees in Ireland and are excited to begin identifying the trees in our school locality!



# 3RD CLASS-ROOM 15



**Happy Easter from Room 15!**  
**Have a well deserved break everyone.**



# 4TH CLASS (ROOM 12)



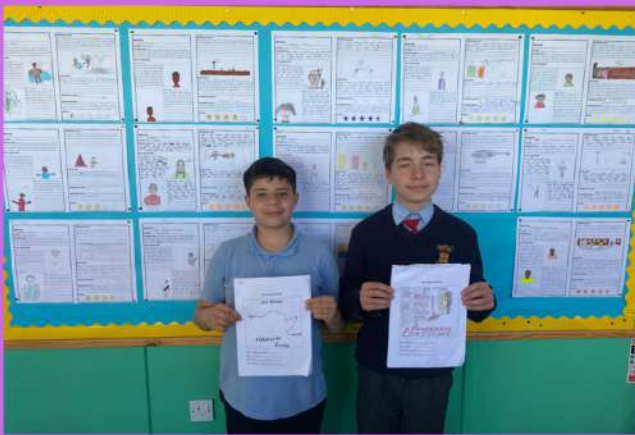
We have been really enjoying playing Gaelic football every Monday with our coach Oisin! We learned about recycling and made chicks from old newspapers and painted rocks for the school garden.

Lots of amazing coding projects and comic books have been created too!

# 5TH CLASS (ROOM 18)



**We've really enjoyed our Gaelic Football sessions with our coach Oisin.**



**A sample of some of our novel booklets & book reviews, after we finished our class novel 'A Dangerous Crossing' by Jane Mitchell**

# 5TH/6TH CLASS (ROOM 17)



Happy Easter from everyone in room 17. We have really enjoyed learning outdoors in the recent fine weather. The bake sale was a great success 😊 Maria and Liova exhibiting their Easter Art.

