

# Scúlchaint

## Message from the Principa

Dia daoibh a cháirde,

As we come to the end of the year we can reflect on another great year's work. They say time flies when you are having fun and yes it's hard to believe that we are at the end of the school year once again. From my point of view I would like to thank everyone in our school community who made this year possible. Our students have been fantastic yet again and I'd like to thank our pupils for being the enthusiastic, mannerly, creative and positive group they are. Our staff, including those who have been in short term during the year have been amazing and have left no stone unturned to help our students. Our Board of Management and Parents Association have been wonderful in helping to make our school a great place to go to work and school. Thank you to you the parents and extended family members who have supported us during the year. Together we can be very proud of our school – you have made our school a better place!

We wish the 6th Class boys who have spent the last eight years developing personally, socially and academically, the very best as they head for pastures new in secondary school. I wish them and their families continued health and success. You will always be part of the Scoil Chros tSeáin family and we will always be interested to hear where you have gone and what you have achieved. Wishing everyone a happy and safe summer break.

Míle buíochas agus bain taitneamh as na laethanta saoire,  
Colm Lyons

## First Holy Communion



Congratulations to our Second Class boys who received the Sacrament of the Eucharist on 13th May

## Primary School Sports



The boys represented the school so well on a very wet day in CIT

## VIP Visit



**Rob Heffernan was our guest of honour on 14th June. He was asked to raise our fourth Green Flag which the school was awarded for our work in relation to travel. (more details and photos inside)**



## Monster Raffle Winners



# Active Schools Week

Junior and Senior Infants had an activity filled week on the 6th—9th June. They were on the move a lot and enjoyed visits to the playground and Cruachán Woods.



# Sixth Class: What a year it's been!



# First Class Trip to The Mardyke



# Third & Fourth Class Take to the Stage

The boys worked very hard over the last number of weeks getting ready for their summer performance. They sang songs from musicals and performed a number of mini dramas. They put in a wonderful effort and really enjoyed their time on the stage.



# Trabolgan



Fifth Class visited Trabolgan at the end of May for their school tour. It was fantastic! The boys were exhausted after all the activities—swimming, mini golf, combat laser, nature talk and astro-soccer.

## Congratulations Pádraig!

Well done to Pádraig Murphy. (*Sixth Class*) Pádraig went through two trials with over two hundred other boys and was successful in being selected to represent the Cork football primary school team. He will be playing at half-time in Killarney on 2nd July during the Cork and Kerry Munster Senior Football Final.



## Literacy Lift-off

First Class have taken part in a four week reading and literacy programme. This involves a number of staff working with the boys in small groups for an hour a day, Monday to Thursday. Big thanks to the Parents' Association for the fundraising which enabled the school to purchase the PM+ series of books which Junior Infants to Second Class will benefit from next year.



# Green Flag Raising Ceremony

The Green Schools Committee welcomed everyone in joining them in raising our fourth green flag. This flag is for all the work our school has done in the last two years for travel. Our aim was to reduce the traffic outside our school in the morning and evening. We have achieved this and have seen a significant decrease in the number of cars outside our school. Despite the obvious restrictions outside, we have improved the number of pupils using the park and stride, walking and cycling to school. Our Golden Boot Award was introduced to monitor this progress. We have spoken to local councillor Aidan Lombard and will continue to liaise with them in the coming months to find a solution to the ongoing problems we have outside our school which are preventing safe access for our pupils. During the last two years we did a walkability audit, travel to school surveys, travel action day and Walk on Wednesdays. We invited guest speakers to highlight safety issues, including Cathal from the Road Safety Authority and Gardai Damien and Niall. A big thank you to Catherine from the Green Schools and An Taisce for continuing to promote and support the Green Flag Initiative. We thank all the pupils, parents and staff for their co-operation throughout the year. Without your help we would not have achieved our targets and our flag. We would like to especially thank the Parents Association, Fiona Foley and the O'Riordan family for volunteering their time and expertise on our Travel Action day. To the Coastguard and Gardai also for helping to keep us safe on that day. We thank Gabby for all the wonderful work he has done with our gardens. Thank you to Denis for keeping our school clean and tidy. Thanks to the local Tidy Towns Committee and people of the local community who have supported us over the last number of years. Thank you to Rob Heffernan for giving up his valuable time to join us and raise our flag. Rob is a super athlete and is an inspiring role model for us all. He told us we should all be active and give all that we do our best effort. Thanks also to Richard Moran for joining us after his wonderful performances in the Special Olympic Winter Games in Austria.

*The Green Schools' Committee*



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# Fire Safety

**The Crosshaven Firemen visited our school. They taught us about fire safety and what you should do if there is a fire in your house. They said you should just leave everything and get out. They also said that deep fat fryers are really dangerous because if you put water in them they will go on fire as the water will sink and the oil will go to the top, get really hot and burst into flames. The firemen told us to check if we have a fire blanket in our house and a smoke alarm. Check your alarm every week—it could save your life!**

*By Cody Lake and Conor McSorley*



# Sciath na Scol

Our hurling team came up against Star of the Sea, Passage in the recent Sciath na Scol hurling final. It was a thrilling game with the boys from Crosshaven being beaten by one point. Well done to all the boys on the hurling panel for putting in such a tremendous effort this season. A special word of thanks to Mr. Ashman, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Hanevy and Anthony, (who has been coaching all classes in hurling and football throughout the year) for their dedication to training and preparing the boys for all games.



# William the Wizard

The boys were treated to a performance of William the Wizard by The West Midlands Theatre Company on May 31st. They thoroughly enjoyed the performance.



