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Easter Newsletter 2021

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

It has been a great pleasure to have had all our pupils back in school over the past two weeks. The boys have settled really well and are enjoying learning in the classroom environment once more. They have greatly benefitted from meeting their friends after such a long closure and the sound of laughter coming from the playground has been refreshing for all.

No unexpected school closure of this nature passes without creating difficulties for people. Please be aware that we are here to help and support you and your child in any way we can.

Many thanks to you, your children and all the staff here in the school for your work and determination in ensuring that all pupils successfully returned over the last four weeks. Míle buíochas to all!

The following contains some important information regarding the return to school and other school related activities.

Student absence forms: As with any absence now, a return to school form must be filled up prior to returning after the Easter holidays. Please make sure that this is completed before returning on the Monday. You already have the links for the different classes, however these will be texted out again before the 12th of April.

School Books: As a precautionary measure, we are sending books home with pupils on Friday. We do expect to return on the 12th of April as intended, however, similar to Christmas, having books at home means that if any problems arise, there is minimal disruption to restarting learning from home.

Parent/Teacher Meetings: These will be arranged after the Easter break. All meeting will be done via the telephone/online and you will be provided with a time slot. These will be communicated to you by the class teacher.

World Book Day: We celebrated World Book Day on the 4th of March this year. Every pupil in our school received a book token to use in any participating book shop. Junior and senior infants completed some fantastic art work for the day. First and second class received personalised book marks to help celebrate the day.

Seachtain na Gaeilge: Is mór an trua nach rabhamar le chéile sa scoil le haghaidh Seachtain na Gaeilge i mbliana. Tá súil agam gur mbain sibh taitneamh as an méad a bhi le fáil ar DOJO. Beidh sibh in ann na nathanna cainte a chleachtadh arís agus arís ar scoil agus sa bhaile.Agus comhghairdeas leis na buachaillí a bhuaigh an Comórtas Ealaíne i mbliana. It was a great pity that we were not in school for the majority of Seactain na Gaeilge. We hope that you enjoyed some of the activities provided by Mrs Tierney online. Well done to all of the boys who won in our art competition.

St Patrick's Day: While singing is not permitted in general in schools, please check out our Twitter page for some musical entertainment provided by Ms Beary and Mr Murray for the boys for our national holiday.

Policy Review: We are currently reviewing our Relationship and Sexuality Education Policy. This is available by clicking above. If you have any feedback on this, please email info@stpatricksboysns.com.

School Garden: Boys from 3rd class were busy preparing the soil to plant some vegetables in our new school garden. We hope to get seeds in the ground soon after we return. We look forward to seeing the fruit of their labour later in the year.

Wishing you all a very happy Easter.

Sincerely,

Anthony Liddane

Principal