



Allen National School Newsletter

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School Closure

Reminder that the school will be closed on Monday and Tuesday next, March 17th and 18th.



Confirmation

Congratulations to all our 6th Class pupils who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday March 13th, in a ceremony concelebrated by Fr Bryan, Fr Willie and two visiting Priests from Newbridge. Thanks to Ms Ní Chaoimh and the participants in Allen NS School Choir, who sang throughout the ceremony and to Ms Brennan who prepared the children for the sacrament.

School Photographs

County Photos will return to the school on Friday 21st March at 12.30pm to take any remaining photos. If your child was absent when the County Photos photographer was last here, he/she will have another opportunity to have their photographs taken. Please ensure you child wears their uniform.



Fundraising for Laura Lynn

As part of the preparations for Confirmation, 6th Class pupils undertook to engage with a fundraising activity for a charity of their choice. The pupils sourced shamrock for St Patrick's Day and their friends across the school encouraged parents and family members to place their orders. The initiative was very successful and raised €520 for Laura Lynn – Ireland's Children's Hospice. A huge 'Thank You' from all in sixth class for your support



World Book Day 2025



The school was awash with colour and stories on March 6th when we celebrated World Book Day 2025. Pupils and staff dressed up as their favourite book characters, named favourite authors and illustrators, recommended book titles and participated in class based events and activities which focused on the benefits of reading for pleasure. If you haven't read in a while, why not join us, pick up a book today – it is never too late to start a good story! Vouchers were distributed to all the pupils and they will have the opportunity to use their vouchers during our upcoming Book Fair.



We are celebrating all things Irish from March 10th to March 21st. To kick off our celebrations we held Lá Glas on Monday March 10th. The pupils and staff dressed in green and a great day was had by all.

Many thanks to Ms Fullam, our Gaelige Co-ordinator, who has arranged a wide range of age appropriate activities for all the classes.



Music Generation



This week Senior Infants were having a very musical time with Carrie from Music Generation and it is proving to be a very popular activity for the children in the class.



Book Fair

Our annual Book Fair will take place on Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th of March. Books that will be available can be viewed on <https://bookfairs.scholastic.ie/bookcases>.

The Book Tokens distributed on March 6th to all pupils can be used when purchasing a book from the Book Fair.

Reading is a gift for life.

Football

Mini 7s Girls and Boys

All transport to and from matches is being capped at €10 for parents and the excess is being subsidised from funds raised at the ABC Run. Our thanks to all who participated in the run and have made participating in the Cumman na mBunscoil competitions possible.



THANK YOU

The Parent Teacher Association (PTA) would like to acknowledge and thank Croí Laighean Credit Union for their very generous donation of €200 to from their Community Fund – your support is very much appreciated. Thank You!



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