



Weekly Update 16 March 2023

Family Fun Day – Sunday 11, June

Please see flyer below

'A Snapshot in Time'

Educate Together has published 'A Snapshot in Time', a celebration of Educate Together primary schools with contributions from 40 schools. The article from RETNS was on the pocket forest planted in Loreto Park by 4th class last year. Huge thanks go to Katie, Laura, and Una who wrote the article.

The book is now on sale for 15 euro. There is a display copy at Reception and if you would like a copy, Carol will be selling them until next Thursday, 16 March. The book may be of most interest to the parents/guardians of children in 5th class but for all parents/guardians, especially new to the system, it gives a very good insight into Educate Together schools.

This Week in RETNS

It's hard to believe now but last Friday morning, we were delighted to see the snow. 4th class made a snowman in record time and then wrote poems based on their experience – see Juno's poem and photo attached

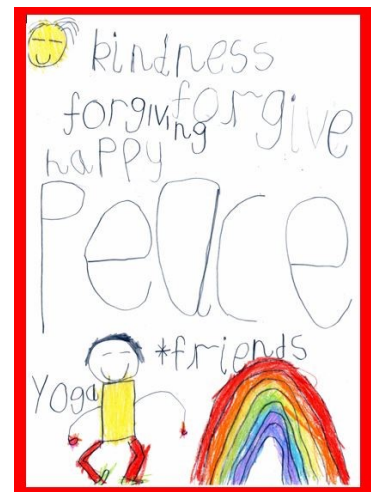
1st and 2nd started swimming today. It was a very exciting day for them and all went very well at Meadowbrook pool.

We've come to the end of Seachtain na Gaeilge and had wonderful ceilí dancing today and an assembly with lots of Irish music and singing. We also had Comórtas na Doirse where the joint winners were Rang IV agus Rang V.

Well done also to Senior Infants who won the Junior Golden Boot competition and Rang VI who won the competition for the senior classes.

We also had a visit from former principal, Mary Carron, this week to talk to our sixth class about Northern Ireland.

Our value for this month is peace. Senior Infants did a wonderful assembly on what is needed for a peaceful classroom.



Yoga Poses – see Spring Yoga on the school website

SPRING YOGA

1. Say hello to the sun.
2. Pretend to be a tree.
3. Pretend to be a flying bird.
4. Pretend to be the falling rain.
5. Pretend to be planting seeds.

Frásaí na Seachtaine –

Lá Fhéile Pádraig

Cathain a bhíonn Lá Fhéile Pádraig gach bhliain?

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Bíonn Lá Fhéile Pádraig ar an seachtú lá déag de Mhí an Mhárta.

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Cad a chaitheann tú ar Lá Fhéile Pádraig?

Caithim _____ ar Lá Fhéile Pádraig.

Cathain a bhíonn Lá Fhéile Pádraig gach bhliain? - When is St. Patrick's Day?

Bíonn Lá Fhéile Pádraig ar an seachtú lá déag de Mhí an Márta. – St. Patrick's Day is on the 17th of March.

Cad a caitheann tú ar Lá Fhéile Pádraig? – What do you wear on St. Patrick's Day?
Caithim _____ ar lá Fhéile Pádraig. – I wear on St. Patrick's Day -

Resources for Parents/Guardians

Please see on the school website under resources - <https://retns.ie/resources-for-parents-guardians/>

Advance Notice

RETNS will close at 12.00 on Tuesday, 6 June for staff training on the new Primary Curriculum Framework.

Lost Property

The amount of lost property in RETNS continues to grow. It will be outside the school on Monday and anything unclaimed will go to a charity shop on Tuesday.

Cycling Safety

We are fortunate that our 5th & 6th classes have availed of a cycling safety course. They know the importance of not cycling on the footpath. We ask our parents/guardians to do the same.

RETNS Lotto

Last week's lotto winner of €20 was Catherine Keegan.

There was no winner of the jackpot.

Please spread the word and encourage family and friends to join to help grow our fundraiser at <https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/retns>

Féile Nasc Folk & Traditional Music Festival – see information attached [Feile Nasc English](#)

[Folk Festival in Marley Park](#)

Supporting Your Child's Resilience – A Webinar with children's author Katie O'Donoghue in partnership with ISPC Childline

We are delighted to share with you information regarding our upcoming webinar 'Supporting Your Child's [Resilience](#) – A Webinar with children's author Katie O'Donoghue in partnership with ISPC.'

*This is a **FREE** resilience webinar for parents/ carers of children aged between 5-12 years of age. The webinar will explore resilience psychoeducation, utilising teaching and coping skills and creative therapeutic exercises inspired by Katie's book '**The Little Otter Who Tried**'.*

*This is an online event on **Tuesday March 28th at 7-8pm.***

Katie appeared on The Ray D'Arcy Show on RTE Radio 1 on Tuesday the 14th – you can hear the clip here where she discusses our collaboration.

<https://www.rte.ie/radio/radiol1/clips/22225028/>

Registration is now open.

You can click here to register <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/49460a06-62b8-4f94-8102-223b6006935e@bb926d5e-af5f-4830-b812-e4d184987285> or alternatively on the 'register here' link on the leaflet attached.

Beannachtaí na Féile Pádraig oraibh go léir – have a great weekend

Le dea-ghuí


Maeve

Timbo

White snow,
Black eyes,
Carrot nose,
Goodbye.

Stick arms,
Pot hat,
Funny smile,
That's that.

In the field,
Just so,
Sleep tight,
Timbo.



by Juno Packham





SAVE THE DATE!

Family Fun Day
RETNS

SUNDAY 11TH JUNE 1-4PM