

# SCOIL NAOMH TREASA

## NEWSLETTER

**SUMMER 2022**

### SPONSORED MOVE-ATHON

Our student council ran our sponsored Move-athon event on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022. The children had a great day on the move from first thing in the morning. Thank you to the student council for organising a fantastic day and keeping everyone moving. A total of €3,402.80 was raised. The student council made a donation of €300 to the RNLI during a recent visit to the school and also €100 to the school for treats and prizes purchased earlier in the year. The remaining €3,000 is being used to purchase PE equipment (including new soccer goals for the court, javelins, relay race batons, slalom training poles), a fantastic new science kit for the school to cover 5 areas (sound, electricity, light, magnetism, forces), some maths equipment (including calculators, capacity resources, shapes) and also some plants for our school garden.



### BASKETBALL, ATHLETICS, GYMNASTICS

We've had a very sporting term including our annual sports day and Active Week. During active week we

had visits Meath Athletics coaches for a full week, gymnastics coach, soccer coach and GAA coaches. We also are lucky enough to have had Ms Ward teach gymnastics lessons and our basketball coach Podge complete a 6 week course with the children.



### STANDARDISED TESTING

Our standardised testing took place during the week of 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> May 2022. All children participated in the testing from 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> class and mandatory reporting of scores from 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class to the Department of Education has been completed.

### PICKER PALS TV

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022 was a very exciting day for the children as we greeted our visitors from Picker Pals TV. This was in recognition of the children's continuous efforts and participation in the programme. The children had blast partaking in the Picker Pals Olympics on the day. Thank you to Angela and Patrick for such a fun and informative session.

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### 5<sup>TH</sup>/6<sup>TH</sup> CLASS TRIP TO IRISH CEMENT

Also on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May, our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class enjoyed a trip to Irish Cement. This was a very interesting tour and talk about how the whole industry operates. Thank you to Irish Cement for the invitation and the complimentary bus as well as the lunch bags and water bottles.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to our boys from 2<sup>nd</sup> class who made their First Holy Communion on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2022. Thank you also to the Parents' Council for providing the refreshments back in the school afterwards.

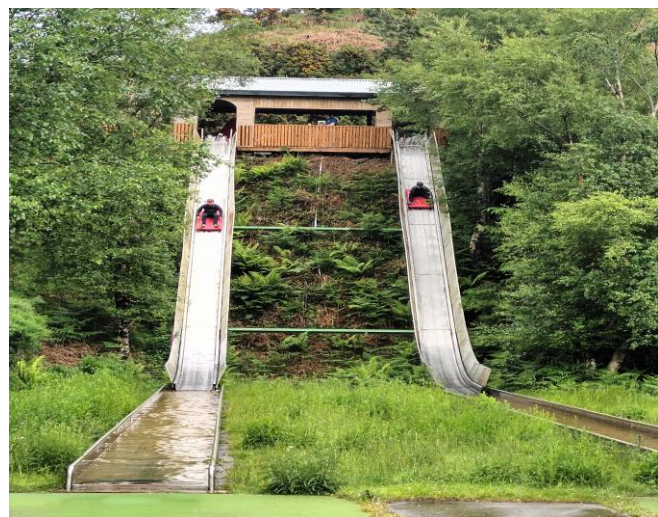


### NEW JUNIOR INFANT INDUCTION DAY

We had the pleasure of meeting our new Junior Infant intake pupils on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. The children met their teacher and visited their new classroom while the parents met with the principal. Thank you to all the staff who were available to help out on the day looking after our new cohort and providing refreshments for the parents.

### SCHOOL TOURS

3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> class enjoyed a fantastic day out at Clara Lara in Wicklow. It got off the damp start but we were lucky that the day brightened up around lunchtime. There was a lot of fun had in and out of the water, up and down slides, in boats and on go karts. Thank you to the staff for minding the children so well and giving extra time to make it an enjoyable and worthwhile trip.





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Our Junior Infants - 2<sup>nd</sup> class enjoyed a great day out at the Let's Go Camp in Gormanston. It was great to hear all the stories about the climbing wall, slide, zorb balls and karts. A trip on the big bus was also a highlight. Once again thank you to the staff for their time and great care of the pupils on their tour.



### 6<sup>TH</sup> CLASS GRADUATION

Our 6<sup>th</sup> class enjoyed a great trip to Carlingford on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June where they visited the Sky Park and Crystal Maze. On return to school that evening they were treated to pizza by the Parents' Association and enjoyed a movie to end their day. We celebrated their graduation on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you to Ms Breen for organising

a fabulous ceremony and well done to the children on the great effort they put in. We enjoyed some lovely poetry and singing with refreshments were kindly provided by the Parents' Association afterwards.

We said our final farewell to this fantastic bunch on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> after a tensely fought game of rounders on the pitch between the 6<sup>th</sup> class and the staff. While the staff put up a brave performance, the 6<sup>th</sup> class were victorious on the day!

We wish these children all the best as they progress on to secondary school. We will miss them as great role models for the younger children in the school and we hope they'll come back to visit us again soon.



### AMBER FLAG

Congratulations to Ms Swinburne and our Amber Committee who were awarded the Amber Flag for our school recently. This is in recognition of all their hard work in raising awareness and promoting positive mental health.

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### SPORTS DAY

A highlight of the year has to have been our sports day. The green, red, blue and yellow teams all battled it out in various events organised by the staff. It was fantastic to see so many parents and members of the community join us for a lovely day sitting out on the hill and watching the various events. It was all made even more enjoyable by the presence of 'The Crafty Mare' coffee van providing refreshments and treats and a visit by the ice cream van at the end of the day. Thank you to the Parents' Council once again for organising and sponsoring this.

Our winners this year were the Yellow Team and they were presented with their winning medals at our final school assembly on Tuesday.



### SCHOOL REPORTS / BOOKLISTS

All school reports have been issued and are available through Aladdin Connect. Here you will also find payment details for our booklists and crests for next year.

### SCHOOL GARDEN

Our school garden project is really taking shape. Thank you so much to Ms Breen for her vision with this and organisation. Thank you also to Jason for completing much of the work. Once finally complete we hope to have an official opening in the new school year.

### A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL

On what has been an incredibly enjoyable first year as principal of Scoil Naomh Treasa, I just want to thank all the children, staff, parents and Board of Management for your support. The year has gone by in the blink of an eye and it's hard to believe we've reached the end of the school year already. I'm so delighted to be the principal of such a wonderful school with such a fantastic school community. Here's to many more happy years in Bellewstown and bigger and better things for Scoil Naomh Treasa.