

5t. Malachy's Boys' School Summer Newsletter

2022

CLASS OF 2022

Best wishes to our 6th class boys who are moving on to pastures new after spending five great years in the Friary Boys' school. A special graduation assembly was held in their honour, on the 28th of June in the Friary hall. This was a very talented group of boys who have worked hard and excelled in all aspects of school life. Good luck in the future. You know you'll always be welcome back to visit.



INCREDIBLE EDIBLES



2nd class took part in the Incredible Edibles Programme where the children followed the programme from 'Plant to Plate.' The children enjoyed growing fruit and vegetables and then got to taste the 'fruits' of their labour!! We grew lettuce, strawberries, potatoes, spinach, chives, carrotts and turnip. A big thank-you to our caretaker Roger who helped with the planting. The boys really enjoyed the produce straight from the garden creating a school day feast.

SPORTS DAY

We were delighted to host a very successful and enjoyable Sports Day once again this year. Every boy in the school competed in the events which included sprints, egg & spoon, sack race, long throw and long jump. Congratulations to the winners who received their medals at a special prizegiving ceremony and to all who took part. Well done to our Calaroga Cup team who finished in silver medal

position in a very exciting race.



BIKE WEEK 2022

A huge thanks to Karl Dolan of the Bike Station Dundalk for visiting us on Bike Week. He treated all of our COW day cyclists to a bike safety talk and demonstration of some bike skills. The boys all learned how to fit their helmets correctly, adjust their brakes, inflate their bicycle tyres and had great fun during the slow race! Our Green School's Committee also presented the Golden Boot Award to encourage pupils to walk and cycle safely to school throughout the year.



COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION



Congratulations to our 2nd class who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday May 7th, celebrated by Fr. David in the Friary Church. Also, to our 6th class who made their Confirmation two weeks later on Saturday May 21st in St. Patrick's Cathedral.

SCHOOL CHOIR

Well done to our newly formed school choir who performed magnificently at the First Communion Ceremony.

U'11 GAA BLITZ WINNERS



Congratulations to our U'11 GAA team who won the All-County Corn Phádraig Ó hUallacháin competition in Darver in May. Over 30 boys represented the school displaying fantastic skill and teamwork. Well done boys!



SPORT



Over 100 boys participated in our prestigious Lunchtime League GAA competition for the newly commissioned Fr. Kane Cup. The climax was a very exciting Finals Day in the Friary field in June.

Well done also to our U'13 GAA team, who bowed out in the semi final stage of Corn Bhlian Mhuire competition.

TRÁTH NA gCEIST



Well done to our 6th Class boys who represented St Malachy's in the Tráth na gCeist held in St Joseph's National School. Both teams performed excellently on the night and really enjoyed the experience.

SCHOOL TOURS



School tours made a welcome return this year. All classes enjoyed memorable trips, which included visits to the Funtasia Waterpark, Crystal Maze and Celtic Adventure, Clogherhead.

ENERGY & WIND **WORKSHOP**



In June the boys were treated to a brilliant Wind & Energy workshop run by Paul MacArtain from DKIT! This was a hands-on workshop with active learning and problem solving skills put into practice to build the most energy efficient wind turbine!

CREDIT UNION ART WINNER

Congratulations to Keegan in 2nd class who was a Winner in the Credit Union Poster Competition 2022. His entry 'Community - We all grow together' impressed the judges. Well done to all pupils who entered this competition. The judges commented on the high standard of artwork.



DUNDALK WALK



All classes completed very enjoyable 'Dundalk Walks' around various points of our locality. These included visits to Ice-House Hill, Clarke's Train Station, the Famine Graveyard and the 'SEEK Mural Tour' of Dundalk.

Many thanks to everyone who returned their sponsorship cards.

SPRING CLEAN



A huge thanks to our Green Schools Committee who once again carefully planned a brilliant Spring Clean for 2022. Each class were given a week in which they went around the school and surrounding walkways to ensure all rubbish was collected and recycled where possible.

Parents sociation

Many thanks to our newly formed Parents Association for their assistance at our First Holy Communion reception in the Dominican Hall.

In the new school year we look forward to welcoming new members to our Parents Association and to working in partnership throughout the year.

NEW INTAKE



On 29th June we welcomed our new intake of boys who will start in 2nd class in September. The boys got a tour of our school, met staff and received some treats as they got used to their new surroundings. See you in September boys!

Visit our school website to see photographs, school information, and much more!! www.stmalachysbns.ie