



18/01/2024

Dear Parents/guardians,

I hope you are keeping well and looking forward to warmer weather.

### **Saint Ita – Scoil Íde**

The feast day of Saint Ita, was celebrated on Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> January. We held a prayer service in our school hall and remembered the wisdom and virtues of St Ita. Thanks to Ms Crabbe for organising the service.

### **Junior Infant Enrolment 2024/2025**

Mainstream junior infant offer letters were issued on Monday. Parents have until Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> of January to accept the place offer. If you haven't already confirmed your place, please do so at your earliest convenience. ASD Class offers will issue on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January. If you have any questions about enrolment please contact the school.

### **First Confession Date:**

The First Confession ceremony for Communion Class will take place on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 1:30 pm in the church. Children will wear their school uniform for this ceremony.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Class Boys Enrolment in St Joseph's BNS**

Boys received their enrolment forms today. Please make sure these forms are returned to St Joseph's school on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January.

### **Stay Safe Programme**

The Stay Safe programme is currently being taught in all classes. Parents received information about this programme last week. Please take some time at home to discuss work covered in school with your child/children.

### **STEM Week**

STEM will take place next week from 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> January. During this week all pupils will have an opportunity to explore Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths through a variety of activities and workshops. Our junior classes will work as engineers, scientists and computer programmers as they take part in construction sessions and use our BeeBots to explore coding. Our middle and senior classes will explore science, technology and engineering through the lens of coding, experiments, investigations and construction challenges.

We would also ask that if anyone has Lego or recyclable materials (cardboard boxes, kitchen roll inserts, plastic boxes etc) that they would like to donate to the school, it would be very much appreciated. All donations can be dropped to Ms. Gregson in Room 11.

### **Catholic Schools Week**

Catholic Schools Week runs from 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> January. This year's theme is Communities of Service.



### **Grandparents Day**

Grandparents Day is usually celebrated during Catholic Schools Week, however this year Scoil Íde will celebrate Grandparents Day during our last term of school. More details will follow later in the term.

### **'SIX' teen edition by Coláiste Bríde**

Ms Buckley's class visited Coláiste Bríde on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>, and were thrilled to receive an invitation to the transition year's performance of SIX teen edition. The girls really enjoyed the show.

Well done to all the TY students from Coláiste Bríde and their teachers for an amazing production.

### **SIPA**

#### ***Scoil Íde Disco***

A school disco is planned for pupils from 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> classes on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February from 6pm – 7:30pm. Check out posters around the school next week for more info.

#### ***School Book Fair***

Our school book fair will take place from 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> March.

#### ***Cake Sale***

*The school will hold a cake sale before the Easter holidays. We will share more details with you nearer the date.*

### **Bank Holiday 2023**

The school will be closed on bank holiday Monday February 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Midterm Break**

The school is on midterm break on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> and Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February.

### **Student Council**

The student council have organised a non-uniform day on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February – Valentine's Day.

### **Green Initiatives**

Battery Boxes are located on the table opposite Michelle's office. Please send in your batteries to be recycled.

Keep up to date with all school news by checking out our website [www.scoilideclondalkin.com](http://www.scoilideclondalkin.com)

*Catherine Keane and the Scoil Íde Team.*