

## Happy Mid-Term



Well done to all on a great first term at school, it has been very busy and the boys and girls have worked very hard and are looking forward to Halloween and the mid-term break.

***Oíche Shamhna Shona Daoibh go léir!!!***  
***Miss Miskell and all the Staff***



# Presentation Junior School

*"A Community of learners inspired by the vision and values of Nano Nagle"*



## Health and Safety

Thank you to all our parents, guardians and children for adhering to our health and safety protocols, making our school a safer place. Please ensure your child brings a coat with them to school, labelled with their name and is dressed appropriately for the weather. To keep all children and parents safe if you are coming to school on a scooter or a bike please walk on the school grounds. **There is strictly no smoking on the school grounds.**

## School Lunches

School lunches are being provided for all children by a company called "The Lunch Bag". You can download the app and order and change your child's lunch for the week. If you are having difficulties please contact the school or the Lunch Bag at <https://www.thelunchbag.ie/contact>.

Please note there are two lunch breaks during the school day. **Your child needs a small packed lunch and a drink everyday.**

**Please note we are a nut-free school, nuts and nut products/bars are not permitted in the school.**

## School Completion Programme

Lisa Murtagh is our school completion worker. Lisa works with different children and families in our school. She is also running a programme called Roots of Empathy with Miss Earley's First Class in Room 13. For this program the class will be visited by a parent and their baby so that the children will observe the baby's development over a nine-month period and learn about feelings and emotions through observing the baby growing and changing. We are delighted to welcome Elaine and baby Maia for the programme.

We also have Orla from Kind Kids Club who works with some of our classes looking at mindfulness and well-being.

## School Activities -September/October

- Karate – All Senior Infants
- GAA – All Second Classes/Sunshine Room
- Tennis – Rooms 9,10, 11, 13 (First Class)
- Dance – Rooms 14 & 15 (Second Class)
- Swimming – Rooms 14 & 15 (Second Class)
- Recorder-All Second Classes

## Attendance and Punctuality

Regular school attendance is so important for your children. **Early collections for essential appointments only.** All children are required to be signed out of the school building, if they are being collected/dropped off outside of the regular school times and parents/guardians must sign a book, giving a reason for the early collection/late arrival. School begins at **8.50am**, it is essential for your child to be in school on time.

## Home School Community Liaison News

In Presentation Convent Junior School our HSCL coordinator is Marie Byrne. It is the job of the HSCL coordinator within our school to build and strengthen relationships between the school, the home and the community and to support you our parents and guardians throughout your child's time in our school.

Miss Byrne will be running courses and events that may be of interest to you as parents. We currently have an Art class available. If you would like to get involved or have any suggestions or ideas please contact Miss Byrne on 087 6529870.

### Visit From St Lomans

We had a visit from some of the St Loman's team members who won the Flanagan Cup a couple of weeks ago. Mr Gaffney one of our teachers plays on the team. Well done Mr Gaffney



St Loman's visited the Sunshine Room and all of the classes on the day.

### Maths Week

All the children participated in lots of Maths Week activities. Maths Week ran from 14<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> of October. Well done to Miss Manny and the team for organising all of the Maths trails and activities for the children.



Thanks to Reda at the Omniplex cinema for sponsoring some of our prizes... Well done children.

### School Uniform

We are seeking your help and support in adhering to our school's uniform policy. The children must wear the school uniform at all times (Navy trousers/Navy pinafore, blue shirt and their school jumper or cardigan) except on days they have a P.E. lesson and they wear their PE tracksuit. We expect all pupils will wear the correct school uniform every day.

### Belvedere Cross Country

On 18<sup>th</sup> of October 36 of our First and Second Class children headed to the Cross Country running competitions in Belvedere. We had a super day despite the weather and our children gave a great display of running. We had some individual and team medals and we are very proud of all the children. Thanks to all parents who came to support on the day.

### School Fees

Thank you to all who support our school and who have paid their school fees. This money is used to purchase essential items for your child. Should you wish to discuss a payment plan please contact the office.

### Parents Association

Our Parents Association work very hard to support the work of the school. Sarah Greville is the Chairperson of the Parents Association. They are always looking for new members, if anyone is interested in joining our parents Association please pop into the office.

### Diary Dates

**Halloween Holidays-** 30<sup>th</sup> October – 3<sup>rd</sup> November  
**School Reopens-** Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November

**Junior Infants Photographer** – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November

**Parents Walking Group** -Every Friday morning (weather permitting)

**First Communion-** Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May @ 1.00pm in Christ the King Cathedral

**First Confession-**February 19<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm in Christ the King Cathedral

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