



Nun's Cross News

February 2023



I hope everyone has had a restful midterm. February was a busy month filled with lots of activities and our annual parent-teacher meetings, which I hope you all found helpful. We have enjoyed entering into numerous sports events and GAA blitzes and the kids have worn the Nun's Cross badge with pride at these events. There are various dates to be aware of in the coming weeks, and lots of exciting things to look forward to as we move into spring!

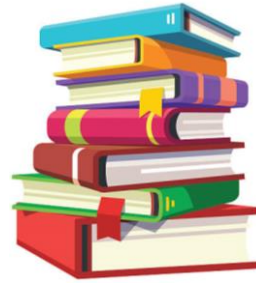
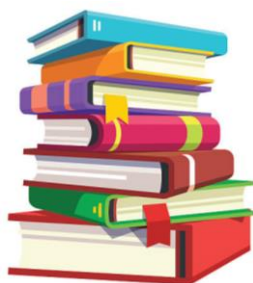


Avondale Mile Challenge

Recently 58 pupils from 3rd - 6th class represented Nuns Cross in the Mile Challenge at Avondale. The children all ran excellently and enjoyed a fantastic day out. Many children came home with medals for their achievements and the trip was enjoyed by all who took part. Many thanks to all the parents who came along as supporters and well done to all the children who represented Nun's Cross so well.

Library Books

At the start of this year we received a book grant from the Department of Education to enhance our library stocks. Some of this money has already been invested in books for each classroom and we were delighted to have Joanna from Bridge Street Books visit us last week to discuss how we can best use the remaining money. There are great plans for our library and even more amazing books on the way to our school in the coming weeks!





Church Announcements

The Family Service will be on 26 March, 5pm in the church.

The Scripture Union Ovoca Manor camp will be 24-26 March, for 5th & 6th class pupils. Rev Jack will circulate information leaflets sent last week.



Dates For Your Diary



3rd March – World Book day

10th March – there will be no church service this month

13th – 17th March – Seachtain Na Gaeilge

16th March – half day – finishes at 12:30 – teacher training

17th March – St. Patricks Day, no school

22nd March – School photos

31st March – Easter holidays – half day, finish at 12:30



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Cumann Na mBunscoil

The non competitive Cumann Na mBunscoil tournaments started back a few weeks ago. These are inter-school matches in a variety of GAA sports. Our 1st and 2nd class students have enjoyed taking part in their events over the last few weeks. 3rd and 4th class will have events coming up on the 9th and 23rd of March and we will update you with the dates of events for 5th and 6th once we have them.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Attendance

We would like to remind you that the school day begins at 9:10 am and all children must be in their class ready to start at this time. We also have a high number of children in all classes who are missing a large number of days. Please be advised that all absences must have

written reason upon return to school and that the school is required to report any child with over 20 absences (explained or not) to Tusla.

PTA Update



MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING TALK

We are delighted to be able to provide a free talk for parents/ guardians. The talk is entitled Supporting parents to support their children's mental health and wellbeing and it is run by the National Parents Council in conjunction with St. Patrick's Mental Health services. The talk will take place in the school on Wednesday, 22nd March from 7.30pm to approx. 9pm. Tea and coffee will be provided. If you would like to attend, please email pta@nuncross.ie



COFFEE MORNING

We thought it would be nice to get together over a cuppa before the Easter break. We are holding a coffee morning in the school grounds on Thursday, 30th March (time TBC). There will be complimentary tea, coffee and home bakes. If any parents would like to bring along some baked goods, we would be very grateful. Please join us for a cuppa, cake and a chat.



EASTER EGG HUNT

We are very egg-cited about the annual Easter Egg Hunt which will take place in the school on Friday, 31st March. There will be an Easter egg for every child and a few little surprises. A big thanks to Belinda & Dave Kavanagh who very kindly supplied a large number of the Easter eggs for the children.



If you would like to contact the PTA with any suggestions, ideas or queries, please email us at pta@nuncross.ie