

# Nuacht ó Gharrán Mhuire

SAMHAIN 2019

Our Science Outreach Programme began back in September with Mrs. Linehan, who is a parent of two boys in our school. Mrs. Linehan teaches all areas of Science in collaboration with the Class Teachers. So far the topics have included Magnetism, Plant Life and The Lungs. Electricity will be covered from Junior-3rd classes in the coming weeks.



Míle Buíochas to Mrs. Linehan for volunteering to share her expertise with children and teachers alike.



*It has been a fantastic week of learning. We hope that every family will take ownership of one small change in order to protect our planet. At school we will be very mindful to conserve water and electricity. We will continue to encourage families to walk and cycle to and from school.*

## Seachtain na hEolaíochta 2019



The theme of this year's Science Week was Climate Change. To mark the occasion, the children in Room 13 planted a native crab apple tree on the school's grounds. **Heritage in Schools** expert, **Éanna Ní Lamhna** shared her wealth of knowledge with 5th and 6th classes. A sound recording took place and the children shared their views and asked questions about the importance of planting trees in our environment in order to help combat Climate Change. We look forward to hearing them on 'The Mooney Goes Wild' radio programme at a later date.

Scientists called **The Cell Explorers** from UCD challenged our 6th classes with two experiments. The children extracted DNA from a banana using specialised equipment and made a 3D model of DNA. DNA was also explored and investigated in the 5th classes. Lucy's mom, Denise Drudy, helped the children to go through a step by step process to 'extract DNA from saliva'.





## GAA News



In OLG we have a strong Cumann na mBunscol tradition. The boys put on a great performance in Croke Park in the final of the Shield. Our girls were also terrific but it was not our year.

Aoife Kane, Lauren Magee and Rachel Fleming, members of the victorious Dublin Senior Ladies Gaelic Football Team paid us a visit on Tuesday, 5th November with the Brendan Martin Cup.

A short assembly took place. Our 6th Class girls prepared questions and interviewed the ladies. The ladies spoke about their careers to date, the competition and their local Kilmacud Crokes GAA Club.



On Thursday, 21st November, Cian O'Sullivan & Cian O'Connor members of the victorious Dublin Senior Mens Gaelic Football Team paid us a visit And the 6th Class boys posed the questions. The children enjoyed these visits.



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## Four Health and Safety Requests

The children are reminded to dismount bikes and scooters in the vicinity of the school and particularly on the school grounds. We wish to ensure that everyone is safe during drop off and pick up times.

We ask for your support with the following requests:

- Please take scooters from the younger children while on the yard
- Please do not walk children across the road through the traffic at drop off and pick up times
- Always use the pedestrian crossings
- Please do not bring dogs into the school yard

Thank you for your adherence to these health and safety requests.

In Junior Infants, the children walked to the post office to post their two Flat Stanleys. Flat Stanley 1 is gone to Scotland and Flat Stanley 2 is travelling to South Carolina! OLG will also be expecting Flat Stanleys to arrive here in Room 1 and Room 2.

*Táimid go léir ag déanamh iarracht mór labhairt as Gaeilge leis na bpáistí. Bainigí triail as má tá cúpla focail agaibh.*

## Christmas Box Appeal

There was an overwhelming **318** boxes collected and **Team Hope** was hugely impressed by the collective response of our families.



We would like to thank all those who got involved for their generosity and attention to detail.

*Congratulations to Brian and Dylan who guessed the correct number of boxes.*

## Student Council 2019/20



Ms. Maher and Ms. Broder meet with a very enthusiastic and motivated group of boys and girls every Wednesday morning.

Already this year they organised the Halloween Costume Competition throughout the school and now they are busy writing up their 'Bios'. The Student Council will engage in projects to secure our next flag - Marine Environment.

## Daltaí na Seachtaine



Once a week at Assembly teachers commend individual children for their

work ethic, acts of kindness and personal targets. This is just one of the ways we seek to identify and applaud children who do their best to achieve their goals.

