

# September 2018 Newsletter

# St. Laurence O'Toole's P.S

The staff at St. Laurence O'Toole's would like to extend a very warm welcome back to you all. We urge you to ensure that all items of clothing (including coats) are clearly labelled. At the beginning of the new school year we would encourage all our parents to make healthy choices when preparing children's breaks and lunches. As you are aware St. Laurence O'Toole's operates a 'Healthy Breaks' policy whereby children are encouraged to choose the healthier option and bring for example, a piece of fruit, a sandwich or a plain biscuit for their break time snack.

## Smartie Box Appeal

We have decided to run the *Smartie Box* appeal again this year as an introductory fund raiser. Each child will be issued with a box of smarties and we are asking that you fill it with 20p coins or as many as you can and return (one tube per family) to school by *Friday 26<sup>th</sup> of October*.  
Thank you.

## Hill Walking Trip (P6/7)



# Kilbroney Hill Walk

On Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup> of September P6/7 went on a hill walk to Kilbroney Forest Park. We had a tremendous time walking up the steep mountain alongside a stream. Colm our guide told lots of interesting facts about the Forest including one about a tree that fell down 47 years ago. He made us count the rings on a tree trunk to find out the age of the tree. About half way up, we stopped for a quick snack. After that we hit the mountain road again. It was very wearing and extremely steep. When we thought we were at the top we turned around a corner and realised there was another long mile to go. When we finally got to the top we tried to push the Cloughmor Stone and it was immovable. Our guide Colm then told us about the story of Finn Mc Cool. After that we had our lunch in a small tent. Even though we were cramped, it was good fun. On our way down the mountain the guides found the perfect spot to give us all a cup of scrumptious hot chocolate to warm us up. On the bus journey home, there were a few tired feet!! And some exhausted teachers!!

(By P7 pupils: Lucy, Megan, Grace and Skye)

## New Pupils

A warm welcome to our new children in *Reception Class*:  
Brook, Shea, Connie and Amber.



## Star of the Week Awards

Stars of the Week	Mrs. Toner	Miss O'Neill	Mrs. Friel/Mrs. McAteer
Week 1	Sherena	Daniel	Sophie
Week 2	Kayla	Eva	Ella
Week 3	Sienna	Paul	Amber
Week 4	Paul	Elayna	Kyle

### Dates for your Diary

- 12/10/17 Coffee morning @ 9:30am
- 17/10/17 P6/7 STEM Project @ St Malachy's Primary School
- 19/10/17 *Smartie Box Appeal* - please return to school by *Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October*
- 26/10/17 Halloween fancy dress-all children leave school at 1pm
- 29<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> October to 2<sup>nd</sup> of November - School will be closed for Halloween.

### Happy Birthday to:

Eoghan Markey  
 Michael Caherty  
 Megan Mowatt  
 Sophie McParland  
 Ryan Mc Donnell  
 Caolan Markey  
 Megan Devlin  
 Ella Markey  
 Connie McMahon

### Reminders

- ~ £1 Football money on Mondays
  - ~ £4 Milk money for October
  - ~ All homework must be signed
  - ~ P.E uniform on P.E days only please
  - ~ Dinner money is now £2.60 per day
- Notes are required to cover absences.**

## Pupil of the Month

**Faye**



## Flu Vaccination

The Flu Vaccination will be administered to all children by the school nurse on **9<sup>th</sup> November**. Please ensure your child is at school on this day.

## Soccer Club

Soccer Club starts on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October** for **P3-P7** children. The cost for the club is **£2.50** per child.

## After School Activities

- Monday-Friday 2-3pm: Foundation stage activity club
- Details of further After School Clubs to follow.

# Eco/School Council

This month children have had the opportunity to elect our new School / Eco Council.

## School Council

Our new members are:

P1:Aoife P2:Shay P3:Megan P4:Daniel P5:Faye P6:Ella P7:Lucy



## Eco Council

Our new members are:

P1:Ella P2:Mai P3:Ryan P4:Aimee P5:Paul P6:Danielle P7:Erin



# Internet Safety Workshop



