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March 2026 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It has been a busy and enjoyable month of March with lots of activities happening across all classes. We enjoyed wonderful celebrations for Seachtain na Gaeilge (culminating in our Céilí Móra sa chlós), World Book Day and World Down Syndrome Day. We were also delighted to celebrate the Confirmation of our 6th Class pupils, take part in environmental and digital learning initiatives, and congratulate our amazing quiz team on their fantastic success. We look forward to the well-deserved break ahead and wish all our families a happy Easter

Ms Burke

Values

The overriding value for the month of March is 'Truth'.

The related weekly values are, "Curiosity", "Creativity", "Being Yourself" and "Reflection". To watch the short photo slideshow summaries of each month's values-related activities around the school, have a look at the 'Values' tab on www.stbrigid.ie/values.html.



Upcoming events

School closed March 30th – April 10th – Easter Holidays

Things to note

1. Payments for Specialist Lessons and whiteboards, homework zippys, folder and supplementary stationery are now due. Payments can be made via the Aladdin app either in full or by instalments.
2. Please note that the Board of Management cannot take responsibility for children who arrive at the school gate and are left unsupervised before 08:40am.
3. The morning arrival window is between 8:40 and 8:50 am, after which time all exit doors are closed, with the exception of the main reception door. Please ensure your child goes to the main reception door if they arrive after 8:50 am.
4. Park & Stride To School: An alternative to dropping your children to the school gate. Use available parking at Griffith Avenue Extension and walk the last part of your journey.

Quiz Masters

Massive congratulations to Ms. McShane's 4th Class pupils Cara, Clodagh, Edith and Vibha who came first in the Regional stage of the Credit Union Quiz. The girls have shown great commitment and studied very hard. They will now represent the school in the RDS in April at the Nationals. We wish them the very best of luck.



Confirmations



Ms. Devlin's and Ms. Ryan's 6th Class pupils celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation on March 11th in our Lady of Dolours Church.



It was a gorgeous day with sun shine and hymns performed beautifully by 5th class pupils.



Special thanks to Fr. Kieran and Fr. Paul and Sacramental coordinator Linda and our Faith Friends in St. Mary's for making it such a special day.



There were lots of celebrations organised by Ms. O'Reilly for **Seachtain na Gaeilge**. There was a **Ceolchoirm** in the hall with classes and individual pupils performing. Pupils participated in a **Trath na gCeist** (winning teams pictured below with their delicious prizes). Ms. Mannion's 3rd Class welcomed their reading buddies from Ms. Hagan's 1st Class to **Café Gaeilge**. Pupils enjoyed a chat in Irish agus càca and deoch mianrai. And to round off the week students busted some moves at the **Cèilì Mòr**.



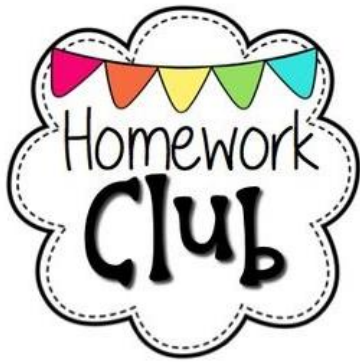






The Student Council hosted a dress up day to mark World Book Day on March 5th. Pupils dressed as characters from their favourite books.





Homework Club will commence on Tuesday 24th February and run until Thursday 30th April.

Homework Club is for pupils from 1st to 6th class. Club runs on Tuesday's, Wednesday's and Thursday's from 2.30-3.30pm.

If you wish to avail of this service please contact Ms. Keogh via email, sinead.keogh@stbrigid.ie.



Hello from the Green Schools Committee!

This month the Green Schools committee has been very busy as we have submitted our online application for the Global Citizenship Travel Theme. We have been focusing on this theme and organising many initiatives around this theme for the past two years. We should hear in the next month or so if our application has been successful.

We would like to say a huge well done and thank you to the committee and everyone involved for your support in relation to this!



Places are still available in **Morning Club**. Check out our website www.stbrigid.ie for more information.

Book Club



The next meeting of **St Brigid's Senior Book Club 2025-2026** will take place after school on **Tuesday May 5th** in Room 15 from 2.35pm to 3.15pm. Book Club is open to all children from 4th to 6th classes.

The first book we will discuss is my choice: *Millie McCarthy is a Complete Catastrophe* by Leona Forde.

Feel free to bring a snack to munch on. Below are the dates for the Book Club meetings for this year:

There will be a prize for the best scoring book so choose wisely!

Any questions can be directed to me: imelda.oreilly@stbrigid.ie

World Water Day

To mark **World Water Day** both 6th Classes had a workshop with the Protection of Waterbodies division of Dublin City Council last week. They learned about water conservation and water quality in their local area before going down to the Tolka River for some field work. It was very interesting and enjoyable. Thanks to the team from DCC for facilitating this workshop.



GAA



Junior, Senior and 5th Class pupils have been learning some GAA skills thanks to Na Fianna GPO Mark Cooper.

Mark has been taking pupils through some drills and helping them develop new technics.





We celebrated **World Down Syndrome Day** a day early in St. Brigid's and marked the occasion with pupils wearing odd and funky socks in line with the Lots of Socks campaign. Classes also coloured beautiful pictures as displayed above by Ms. Reddy's 3rd Class.



Digital Learning



2nd Class have been enjoying their weekly digital learning lessons with Ms. Moran and developing their digital skills over the past few weeks. They have made great progress using ScratchJr, creating their own animations and stories, while also beginning to build their typing skills on the Chromebooks. Well done, girls!



We wish 4th Class teacher Ms. McShane the very best as she heads off on maternity leave. We eagerly await news of the arrival of her bundle of joy.



We wish 4th Class teacher Ms. Fallon Griffin the very best as she prepares for her big day. We hope it's a magical day filled with love and happiness.



Scavenger Hunt

Ms. Keogh's Senior Infants ventured down to the Botanic Gardens recently for a Spring scavenger hunt.



Parking in Addison Park and on the Old Finglas Road

The Management of Addison Hall wish to remind our parents/minders that they should not park in the grounds of Addison Hall. Also, our neighbours on the Old Finglas Road would like to remind parents/minders to refrain from parking across driveways. **An Garda Siochana have also been in contact with the school after receiving several complaints. They will be monitoring the situation and issuing fines.**

