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## May 2026 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The sunshine has been shining brightly in St. Brigid's this month. Our pupils have participated in a wide range of enriching experiences, both inside and outside the classroom, contributing to a vibrant and active school community. Among the many highlights this month were the celebration of First Holy Communion for our 2nd Class pupils, a very special occasion for the girls and their families. We also saw fantastic involvement in sporting activities, including the Na Fianna GAA Schools Blitz and the Santry Athletics competitions. Our Green Schools Committee also marked a significant milestone by receiving the Green Flag at the Helix for their work on Global Citizenship Travel. We also welcomed the parents of our incoming Junior Infants, together with the parents of the pupils who will be joining our special class next school year. There is lots to look forward to in June so fingers crossed the sun keeps shining...

Ms Burke

### Values

The overriding value for the month of May is **'Non-Violence'**.

The related weekly values are, "Loyalty", "Inclusiveness", "Service" and "Recycling". 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](http://www.stbrigid.ie/values.html).



### Upcoming events

Junior Sports Day 9<sup>th</sup> June (weather permitting)

Senior Sports Day 11<sup>th</sup> June (weather permitting)

6<sup>th</sup> Class Graduation 22<sup>nd</sup> June

Summer Holidays 30<sup>th</sup> June **12 noon finish**

**Parents Association** – Disco – 12<sup>th</sup> June & 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniform sale – 25<sup>th</sup> June

## 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.



Hello from the Green Schools Committee!

The Green Schools committee has some very exciting news to share this month! Four representatives from the school (two teachers and two pupils) attended the Helix on Tuesday 19th of May where we were presented with our Green Flag by An Taisce for the Global Citizenship Travel theme.

We would like to say a big thank you to the committee and to everyone involved who helped us along this journey to achieve the flag.



6<sup>th</sup> Class pupil Etta & 4<sup>th</sup> Class pupil Edith

## Communions

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Class pupils received the sacrament of First Holy Communion on May 16<sup>th</sup> in Our Lady of Dolours Church. It was a very special day for the girls and their families. Special thanks to Ms. Murphy and Ms. Skelly for all their preparation and our 3<sup>rd</sup> Class choir who performed beautifully on the day.



Ms. Murphy's 2<sup>nd</sup> Class



Ms. Skelly's 2<sup>nd</sup> Class



Homework Club will commence on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May and run until Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June.

Homework Club is for pupils from 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:sinead.keogh@stbrigid.ie).



Well done to Ellie in Ms. Hagan's First Class who raised €200 for St. Vincent de Paul recently. Ellie went without screen time for two weeks (over the Easter holidays), read as many books as she could for one week and then tried to walk as many km's as she could in a week. She did amazingly well, reading 5 books and walking 18kms in total. What a super achievement and for an amazing cause.



Places are still available in **Morning Club**. Check out our website [www.stbrigid.ie](http://www.stbrigid.ie) for more information.

## Digital Learning



Our infant classes have been enjoying engaging with computational thinking through use of the Bee Bots. They incorporated coding into their Literacy, SESE and Maths.



Congratulations to Keela from Ms Ryan's 6th Class who won the Comhaltas Paidí Bán O'Broin Perpetual Shield for Sean Nós dancing.

Keela won 1st place at Dublin's annual traditional Irish song, music and dance Fleadh Festival 2026.

She will now go on to dance at the Leinster Fleadh in Portlaois in June, which acts as a qualifier for the All-Ireland Fleadh (Fleadh Cheoil Na hÉireann) in Belfast in August.



Well done to budding artist Elizabeth from Ms. Brady's 5<sup>th</sup> Class who's spectacular artwork will be showcased in our school hall for all pupils to view and study.



Congratulations to Aoife from Ms. Hassett's Senior Infants who was awarded Best Dancer by her dance school.



Well done to Zara from Ms. Reddy's 3<sup>rd</sup> Class who was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> place. Zara performs Hip Hop and Locking with Streets Ahead.



### The FTD Brothers Foundation

Some of our pupils lined the pavements on May 28<sup>th</sup> to support Jordan and Cian as they completed their 33<sup>rd</sup> marathon in 33 days.

The lads are raising awareness and funds for research for all types of Dementia after their mother was diagnosed with Frontotemporal Dementia.



## Cumann na mBunscol

### Santry Athletics

Well done to the girls from 5th Class (U12) and 6th Class (U14) who took part in the athletics in Morton Stadium last week. They competed in relays, sprints and the 600m race. As always they were excellent representatives for our school and really enjoyed the day. Thank you to Ms. Reddy and Ms. Murray for working with the girls.



### Referees Course

5<sup>th</sup> Class pupils Caoimhe and Ellis took part in a referees training programme with David Gough a few months ago and are all set to use their cards going forward! Well done to Caoimhe who refereed her first game during half time of the Leinster semi-final at the beginning of this month. She did a super job.



### Exhibition Go Games 2026

We are very excited with the news that Sadhbh from Ms. Hickey's 5th Class will play at national level in Croke Park during the All Ireland Final this summer. She has been selected as part of the Cumann na mBunscol Exhibition Go Games. We know she will do a great job representing our school and her family and we hope she really enjoys her day.

## Na Fianna Blitz

Teams from 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Classes took part in Na Fianna GAA Club's Schools Blitz this month. They played against teams from five other local primary schools and had great fun while also learning new skills.

Na Fianna players from 6<sup>th</sup> Class also mentored the girls on the day and were a great help. A big thank you to Mark Cooper (GPO) for organising and Na Fianna CLG for hosting a fantastic event.



## **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.**

