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Every Day Counts at St Mary's Convent Primary School 17th - 19th February 2020

<i>Room</i>	<i>Attendance</i>	<i>Room</i>	<i>Attendance</i>	<i>Room</i>	<i>Attendance</i>	<i>Room</i>	<i>Attendance</i>
01	91.7%	08	94.2%	16	92.4%	26	94.4%
02	94.7%	09	91.4%	17	90.0%	27	92.2%
03	93%	10	88.9%	18	92.9%	30	67.9%
04	94.7%	12	89.3%	19	95.2%	31	56.8%
05	93.6%	13	95.2%	20	85.2%		
06	90.1%	14	96.3%	23 & 24	90%		
07	89.3%	15	84.6%				

Please note that notification of absences in writing to the teacher is required. A letter or note in the homework journal will suffice.

A chairde,

Many thanks for the great response to our **Pencil Appeal**. As you can see from the photos below, this will be of great assistance to Linda School in Zambia.

This Friday is **Safety Day**. Please talk to your children around safety in the car, walking and cycling. The following may be of help:

<http://www.rsa.ie/en/RSA/Road-Safety/Road-safety-for-kids/> Ask them to sing the Safe Cross Road song to you.

Please speak to your children also about Internet Safety. We would like to draw your attention to the misuse of Facebook and Viber. The legal age for these sites is thirteen but we are aware that some children younger than thirteen are members. We are urging parents to monitor their children's use of cyber media to ensure that inappropriate content is not being used towards or by their child.

World Book Day 2020

World Book Day is an annual event and will take place this year on Thursday, March 5th. Stickers, resources and €1.50 book tokens will be distributed to all mainstream classes this coming week.

The book tokens are valid from **the 27th February to the 29th March** and can be used towards the purchase of a book from participating bookstores. There are also some books available for €1.50 and the book tokens may be exchanged for these.

To commemorate **World Book Day on Thursday, March 5th**, the children will be invited to dress up as a book character for this special day. This is optional and there is no charge involved.

For more information check out-<https://www.worldbookday.com/world-book-day-ireland/>

Mr Galligan

The Banna Ceoil are thrilled to have been invited to perform at the Córfhéile in the National Basketball Arena , Tallaght on Wednesday 4th March. Córfhéile is a non-competitive music and drama festival for Primary Schools with several schools taking part at each concert. This is a great opportunity for our young musicians to show off their musical skills in a welcoming and encouraging event and we are really looking forward to the event .

Our Banna Ceoil will perform at the matinee concert that starts at 1030am. Parents , family and friends are especially welcome to come along and listen and support our Banna . Admission at the door is 5 euro for adults and 2 euro for children (– CASH ONLY – Córfhéile doesn't have the facility to accept card payments) .

Please encourage your daughter to practise in preparation for Córfhéile. 2nd class do not have all the tunes as this is their first year in Banna . A very big thank you to all the teachers who volunteer their time with Banna every week .

We need to arrive to Basketball Arena in plenty of time to prepare for performing so we are planning to leave Trim at 845 on Wednesday morning. Please make the necessary arrangements. We are asking everyone to wear their blue uniform that day and to bring a packed lunch for the day. Parents and other friends are very welcome to meet us in the Basketball arena to support our Banna.

Ms McGale

Twenty pupils from 5th and 6th Classes took part in our annual Spelling Bee last Wednesday. The words were challenging and the atmosphere was electric. We congratulate all the competitors for their efforts, but there can only be one winner. This year's Spelling Champion hails from 5th Class (Room 27) and her classmates erupted in thunderous roar when she was crowned the winner. She was presented with a Spelling Bee Dictionary and a book voucher for Antonia's. Her name will be engraved on our wall plaque as the Spelling Bee Champion for 2020. We will all be shouting for her when she takes part in the county final, to be held in our school hall on Wednesday 11th March!

Ms O'Hare and Mr Galligan



Green News

Last week we had a wonderful response to our 'Pencils for Zambia' appeal. Sr Claudia was overwhelmed! You can imagine from the photos of the boxes how thrilled and excited the children (and the teachers) in Zambia will be when they discover the pencils, rubbers, parers, copies, crayons and storybooks. Thank you all so much for your kindness. We will never really understand how much the school community in Zambia appreciate donations like this. Sr Claudia has sent a message:

May you all be as happy as the children in Zambia will be when each child gets a pencil of their own. Your pencil will be their pencil along the way in Zambia.

'Zicomo, Zicomo.... (which means 'thank you, thank you')

Recycling continues at St Mary's. We accept batteries, postage stamps, toilet rolls, cards, ink cartridges, cans, small plastic bottles, mobile phones and old greeting cards.

We wish our Sixth Class pupils the very best of luck as they present their video and PowerPoint Presentation of One Good Idea this week in the Omniplex in Rathmines. Inspired by the voice and conviction of Greta Thunberg, our pupils are keenly aware of Climate change and have gone about raising awareness in our school community. Their premise is that education is the best way to influence people's green habits and what better way to educate than through the example of the children themselves as they spread the message and encourage global environmental sustainability. If you haven't seen the video, here is the link:

<https://youtu.be/2DpJdMTq32o>

WOW continues this Wednesday. Well done to the resilient walkers who battled the wind and rain last Wednesday. Wrap up well if you intend to walk this week also. Meet at the Matchbox or Mornington Heights Car park at 9:00 am. Hope to see you there!



Cherry Blossom was due to be released back into the sea yesterday. We should have footage soon.

Remember being Green isn't just cool anymore, it's a must!





Supplies for Zambia - Zicomo, Zicomo.... Thank you Thank you!



All our donations boxed and ready to go to Zambia!

D.T. (Digital Technology) Scratch classes continue. This week 1st and 2nd classes will create 'spooky' animations using a bat who can fly. This will entail learning about the Repeat 10 block and the Change Costume to ... block. They will then add their own story to this animation. 3rd and 4th classes will create a shark and fish game - the blocks they will learn this week are - If touching ..., Hide and Show. The 5th and 6th classes will create a Cat and Mouse game learning how to create variables to count their scores for catching the mice.

Ms Debby Walsh

Enrolments for September 2020: Places have been allocated and accepted. As the school is not full, enrolment applications, for all classes, are still being accepted.

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[Community News](#)

[Green News](#)

Nathanna na Seachtaine: Is aoibheann liom.... (I like....)

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Dates to Remember

Assembly:	28th February, Safety Day- Room 19 First - Sixth Classes
Banna	Tuesdays 3.00 - 4.00
Meitheal:	Tuesdays 9.30 - 10.30
First Holy Communion:	Saturday 9th May, @ 11am

Dear Parents

KIDS INC have now fully launched their **AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMME** in St Mary's Convent National School.

We would like to advise parents that we have listened to recent feedback and have now revised our prices to reflect a more affordable service. For those parents whose combined income is less than €60,000 you will also be entitled to the **New Government Funding for Afterschool Care** (please note the government subsidy prices in the table below are some examples of what funding is available) please visit ncs.gov.ie for more information

Please note - Our prices are based on 38 school weeks (not school term holidays) and are divided evenly over 10 months (September to June)

2pm-3pm -6.30pm	Kids Inc Fees No subsidy	*Government full subsidy 17 hours	*Government 25% subsidy 12 hours
Afterschool 5 day	403	160.75	340.07
Afterschool 4 day	370	127.75	307.07
Afterschool 3 day	347	147.50	284.07
Afterschool 2 day	241	112.75	193.80

*full subsidy €3.75 per hour, 25% subsidy €1.38-€1.33 per hour, all funding is subject to means testing

In addition to 2, 3, 4 and 5 day afternoon sessions Kids Inc are also offering an hourly rate of €7 for parents who require an occasional drop in service on an ad hoc basis - ranging from 1 hour up to full afternoon.

Please contact gillian@kidsinc.ie for more details or call 01 6215790



COME JOIN US TO:

- IMAGINE!
- CREATE!
- EXPLORE IDEAS!
- BUILD!
- SHARE!



- ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, TRIM
- SATURDAY 29TH FEBRUARY
- 1PM-3PM
- 15 EURO PER CHILD (SIBLING DISCOUNTS)

CONTACT EMMA ON 0879073448 TO BOOK YOUR PLACE

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PARENTS PLUS
Adolescent Programme

An evidence-based parenting course promoting effective communication and positive relationships in families with adolescents aged 11 to 16 years.

6 week course will be taking place every:

Thursday morning from April 23rd to May 28th
 Boyne Community School
 from 10am to 12pm

The course will be facilitated by:
 Justyna Doherty, Trim FRC & Roisin Lawless, Boyne Community School

For more information or to reserve your place, please contact:
 Justyna @ 046 9438850 & Roisin @ 086 7853216



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'Confident Me' Programme

A 10 week programme designed for children in 5th & 6th Class who have experienced adversity and difficulty in their young lives with the hope of enhancing their confidence and self-esteem. Some of the topics covered in the group include communication skills, dealing with feelings, peer pressure and developing skills to manage difficult situations.

Some of the activities include:



Design a T-Shirt



Relaxation Jars



Worry Tree

When: Every Tuesday for 10 weeks commencing on Tuesday 21st April 2020

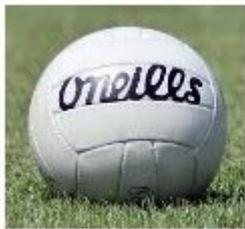
Time: 3.30- 4.30 p.m.

Cost: €25 for 10 weeks

Where: Meath Springboard Family Support Services, Mangan House, Clonmagadden Road, Windtown, Navan, Co. Meath. Eircode: C15X70F

How: If you are interested please contact Siobhan or Martina in Meath Springboard on 046-9078220/1

Programme run by Meath Springboard Family Support Services CLG.



U12 GIRLS GAELIC FOOTBALL

[Born 2008 and 2009] - Training Wednesday @ 6pm @ TRIM GAA

Contact Ronan @ 0876865596 For More Details

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME