



# Scoil Bhríde Cailíní

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## Dear Parents/Guardians,

Fáilte romhaibh ar ais arís. We hope that you had an enjoyable Easter break and welcome you back to Term 3.

## Banda láimhe/Fáinne Awards

Comhghairdeas a chailíní! Huge congrats to all the girls who were recently awarded a Banda Láimhe or a Fáinne for their effort and achievement in Irish. They all worked very hard for these awards and táimid fíor bhródúil astu. Maith sibh! (We are very proud of them. Well done!)

## French Visitors:

Our school was selected in March for a visit by a delegation from the French embassy, wishing to observe good practices in supporting and fostering language diversity and inclusion. They were extremely impressed by all they observed and now wish to implement similar practices in France. Check out some photos of the day on our website!

## Uniforms

There has been a great improvement across all classes in the wearing of uniforms and tracksuits on the correct days. Sincere thanks for your support with this.

If you have uniforms/tracksuits that you no longer need, we would be delighted if you would consider donating them to the school. N.B. **All uniforms/tracksuits must be in good condition and freshly washed.**

## Athletics

The girls have attended two race meets now in Porterstown and have performed very well. We wish them luck with all their upcoming training and events this year.

## Swimming

Third and fourth classes are now partaking in swimming classes in Coolmine. We are delighted to have swimming back again this year.

## Review of Child Safeguarding Statement

The annual review of the Child Safeguarding Statement is now complete and will be uploaded shortly to the school website.

## Resources for Parents

NALA has a website [www.helpmykidlearn.ie](http://www.helpmykidlearn.ie), that provides some suggestions for activities that parents/guardians can do with their children to develop literacy and numeracy. It includes general information, fun activities and useful tips that can be integrated into any part of the day.

To support the use of Irish at home, a suite of supports for parents/guardians, Gaeilge sa Bhaile, have been published. You can access these at <https://ncca.ie/en/primary/resources-for-parents/>.

Parents/guardians can also further their own learning with their local ETB Adult Education Service or over the phone and online with NALA. Check out [www.learnwithnala.ie](http://www.learnwithnala.ie) All services are free.

## 3D Printing

The 6<sup>th</sup> classes in SBC are leading the way with technology, using a 3D printer to create emoji tokens. This is such an exciting project and we are delighted to be able to offer such an innovative experience to the girls.

## Junior Entrepreneur Project

Mr. Maguire's 5<sup>th</sup> class have now completed their Young Entrepreneur project. The activity workbooks went on sale before Easter and have now been distributed to classes. Your support was greatly appreciated.

## Lotto

We are thrilled that our school lotto funds enabled us to put new yard markings in place over Easter and the new activity circuit is proving very popular with the girls. All of these improvements, just like the wall yard games, have been made possible by your support and generosity. If you have not already joined the school lotto, we would ask you to consider doing so now on <https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/sbc> This is a very valuable and practical way of supporting the school and your daughter's education.

## Easter Raffle

A huge thank you for your support for our recent Easter raffle. It raised €544, which will be put to good use in providing resources for the girls. Sincere thanks also to Maeve, our school secretary, who donated and put together the prizes.

This is just a flavour of all the exciting activities happening in SBC! Check out the other activities on the school website.

### 2021/22 SCHOOL CLOSURES

<b>May</b>	School <b>CLOSED</b> on Monday, May 2 <sup>nd</sup> & Tuesday, May 3 <sup>rd</sup> . May 13 <sup>th</sup> School <b>CLOSED</b> for whole staff ASD training.
<b>June</b>	School <b>CLOSED</b> on Friday, June 3 <sup>rd</sup> , Monday, June 6 <sup>th</sup> & Tuesday, June 7 <sup>th</sup> .
<b>Summer Holidays</b>	Closing Tuesday, June 30 <sup>th</sup> at 12 noon.

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*P. Dargan*

(Principal)