

## Scoil Bhríde Cailíní Blanchardstown, Dublin 15



#### Tel: 01 201717

# February 2023

## Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are very busy in Scoil Bhríde Cailíní with lots of activities happening. Our annual Internet Safety Week took place last week. We would encourage you to discuss this important topic further with your daughter to ensure that she is kept safe online at all times. We encourage you to check out <u>https://www.webwise.ie/</u> for advice. Pupils in primary school, should not have social media accounts and parents need to be vigilant in overseeing this and the content that their daughters are accessing online.

#### **Quiz Teams**

Our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Class girls took part in the Credit Union Quiz, the Blanchardstown Credit Union quiz and the Phoenix FM quiz. They did the school, their families and themselves proud.

#### Swimming

Third classes are now availing of swimming lessons on Thursdays.

#### **PAHLEPS P.E. Erasmus**

SBC was delighted to be selected to participate in a P.E. Erasmus Project with other European schools. On the 7<sup>th</sup> of February we welcomed colleagues from Luxembourg, Portugal and Spain. They watched PE lessons and training sessions and were so impressed with our pupils. They were treated to a wonderful ceolchoirm where the girls were singing, playing instruments and Irish dancing. A huge thank you to our wonderful staff for organising a fantastic few days.

#### Safe Routes for School

We are delighted that our school has been selected to participate in the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) programme. SRTS is designed to enable students to safely walk, cycle and scoot to school. As part of the initial phase of this programme, the SRTS team would like to gather information on how our students travel to school and where they start their journey.

Your input is needed to help create a safer school environment therefore, we are asking you to complete the short survey- <u>https://arcg.is/1rfKev0</u> on behalf of your child by **Friday 3rd March**.

### Peace Proms

The two 5<sup>th</sup> Classes went to the Peace Proms Concert in the RDS on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> of February accompanied by their teachers. They were practicing the songs and dance moves for weeks and put on an excellent display. They represented Scoil Bhríde Cailíní with pride.

#### Wet/Icy mornings

Reminder that pupils are taken into the hall at the earlier time of 8.40am on very wet or icy mornings. Please ensure that you time your arrival for <u>after 8.40am</u>, so that your daughter is not standing outside.

#### Issues/Concerns

Email: office@scoilbhridecailini.ie

This is a reminder that if you have a concern about your child, please follow the correct school procedures. Staff members are not able to discuss concerns or issues at the school gates. Please contact our secretary at <u>office@scoilbhridecailini.ie</u> or on 01-8201717 where she will get in touch with your child's class teacher or myself and arrange a meeting. It is not appropriate to approach anyone else's child/parent directly on the school premises.

#### ESB Science Blast

The 4<sup>th</sup> Class Science projects have been chosen to represent Scoil Bhríde Cailíní at the ESB Science Blast in the RDS on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> of February. They have been working very hard on their Science projects. Maith sibh!

#### School Lotto

We sincerely thank you for supporting our school lotto and encourage those who are not to visit our homepage-<u>https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/sbc/</u>. All funds raised are used to directly support your daughter's education.

#### **Contact Details**

It is essential that the contact details you have provided to the school are up to date, so that we can contact you at all times. Please check your details on Aladdin Connect and inform the school of any changes.

2022/23 SCHOOL CLOSURES	
NB 16 <sup>th</sup> of March	School closing at <u>12 noon</u> to facilitate staff training in the new Primary Language Curriculum
St. Patrick's Day	School CLOSED Friday 17th March.
Easter Holidays	School <b>CLOSING</b> on Friday, March 31st at 12 noon. <b>CLOSED</b> Monday, April 3rd to Friday, April 14th inclusive (2 weeks)
May Bank Holiday	School CLOSED on Monday, May 1st.
June Break	School <b>CLOSED</b> on Friday, June 2nd &, Monday, June 5 <sup>th</sup> .
Summer Holidays	Closing Friday, June 30 <sup>th</sup> at 12 noon.

Le gach dea-ghuí,

M. Kilroy

(Principal)