



Scoil Bhríde Cailíní

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for your attendance at the Schools Reconfiguration for Diversity Pilot initiative meeting on Wednesday evening. If you weren't able to attend, you can email your thoughts and views to reconfiguration.dublin@education.gov.ie and put the school name on the subject line.

Seachtain na Gaeilge

The girls in Scoil Bhríde Cailíní made an extra special effort to speak cúpla focal as Gaeilge (some words in Irish), as part of the school's celebrations for Seachtain na Gaeilge. Seachtain na Gaeilge is the period before St. Patrick's Day where we celebrate all the important things that are special to Ireland - dancing (ag damhsa), singing (ag canadh), drama (drámaíocht), poetry (filíocht), ceol (music) - and of course, the Irish language.

The girls took part in a concert, a céilí, tóraíocht taisce (treasure hunt), cluichí sa chlós (yard games), tráth na gceist (quiz) and bingo, all of which were enjoyed while speaking and learning as much Irish as possible.

Cross Country

The girls in 3rd-6th classes have been taking part in cross-country events in Porterstown and Cabra over the past few weeks. The girls did SBC proud. Maith sibh!

FAI Soccer Blitz

The Scoil Bhríde Cailíní Soccer Team took part in the FAI 5-a-side soccer blitz in Malahide on Tuesday 21st of March. The team comprised of girls from 4th, 5th and 6th Classes. They had been training hard for the past few weeks in preparation for this blitz. All nine girls can be extremely proud of how they played during the blitz and hopefully we will have more matches for the soccer team to look forward to in the future!

New Free Primary Books Scheme

We are delighted with the news from the Department of Education regarding the Free Primary Books Scheme. We will update you with more information in Term Three.

Absences

Good attendance is key to your child's success in school. All schools are required to keep detailed notes on absences. If your child is absent, please notify the school as to the reason. You can do this through Aladdin Connect or by contacting the school office. We request that pupils attend school before and after medical appointments, if possible.

Ceremony of Light

The girls in 6th Class had their Ceremony of Light on Thursday 2nd of March. The Confirmation Ceremony will take place on the 20th of April at 11am.

School Lotto

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

Easter Bonnets

As you know we had an Easter bonnet competition recently and were absolutely blown away by the entries. They were magnificent. We had an Easter bonnet parade this morning. All entrants can be very proud of their work. Comhghairdeas do gach duine!

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

2022/23 SCHOOL CLOSURES	
Easter Holidays	<i>School CLOSING on Friday, March 31st at 12 noon.</i> <i>CLOSED Monday, April 3rd to Friday, April 14th inclusive (2 weeks)</i>
May Bank Holiday	<i>School CLOSED on Monday, May 1st .</i>
June Break	<i>School CLOSED on Friday, June 2nd & Monday, June 5th .</i>
Summer Holidays	<i>Closing Friday, June 30th at 12 noon.</i>

A sincere thank you for all your kindness and support.

Beannachtaí na Cásca oraibh go léir!

Happy Easter!

Le gach dea-ghuí,

M. Kilroy

(Principal)