

# Scoil Bhríde Cailíní

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# **April 2023**

# Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to Term 3. We hope you and your family had a lovely Easter break. We have a busy term ahead in Scoil Bhríde Cailíní!

#### Active Schools Week

Next week, May 2<sup>nd</sup>-May 5<sup>th</sup> is Active Schools Week. The teachers have arranged lots of exciting activities including karate and gymnastics. Please ensure your child wears her school tracksuit and proper runners to school.

## Scoil Bhríde Cailíní Parent Assocation

Very exciting news! SBC had their first Parent Association Committee meeting recently. If you would still like to be a member of the committee or help out with school events, please contact the school on 01-8201717. A sincere thank you to those parents who are setting up this wonderful association.

# Camogie

The girls in 4th, 5th and 6th Class have been training hard since January for the SBC camogie team. They kicked off their competition this month against St. Benedict's in Ongar. They were unlucky this time but put on a mighty performance! We wish them the best of luck in their remaining matches. SBC Abú!

## **Teddy Bear Hospital**

The girls in Seoda, Junior Infants, Senior Infants and 1<sup>st</sup> Class had a visit from student doctors from the Royal College of Surgeons. During this fun, interactive event, the student doctors told the children what goes on inside hospitals using furry patients. The girls had great fun!

## **Issues/ Concerns**

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 office@scoilbhridecailini.ie 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.

# 14 Henrietta Street

The girls in 3rd class made the trip into 14 Henrietta St. in Dublin's city centre. They really enjoyed learning about the history of the street and the stories of the families who lived there.

## **Standardized Tests**

As per the DES requirements, standardized testing will take place for classes from 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> later in May. Literacy testing will take place on the week of the 15th and Maths testing on the week of the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## Social Media

It has been brought to my attention that there have been incidents with social media recently. We would encourage you to discuss this important topic further with your daughter to ensure that she is kept safe online at all times. **Pupils in primary school, should not have social media accounts** and parents need to be vigilant in overseeing this and the content that your daughters are accessing online. We would encourage you to check out <a href="https://www.webwise.ie/">https://www.webwise.ie/</a> for further advice.

## School Calendar 2023-2024

Please see school calendar for 2023-2024 attached with this newsletter.

# **Child Safeguarding Statement Review**

The school is currently undertaking its annual review of the Child Safeguarding Statement. Further details will follow.

#### **School Lotto**

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

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	
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.

A sincere thank you for all your kindness and support.

I hope you all enjoy the long weekend.

Le gach dea-ghuí,

M. Kilroy

(Principal)