



EASTER NEWSLETTER

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope you enjoy a flavour of the varied learning opportunities the girls have enjoyed throughout this term. It's been a busy yet enriching and fulfilling term for all.

On behalf of all the staff at St Vincent de Paul Girls' School we wish everyone a joyful, safe and happy Easter break.

Alison Clinton



Sacraments

Congratulations to our 6th class girls on the celebration of their Confirmation. Two wonderful, special days were had with families and friends in St Vincent de Paul Church. A special thank you to Fr. Tom and Anne Dooley. Thanks also to class teachers, Ms. Doolan and Mr. Mc Elwain and to the lovely music provided by girls from 4th – 6th class.

Sport - GAA

Congratulations to the 6th class girls who participated in Cumann na mBunscol's Gaelic Football League. The girls made it all the way to the semi-finals which was a fantastic achievement. The girls worked incredibly hard and this showed in every match they played. Well done again girls!

Thank you to Ms. Drumgoole and Ms. Walshe and Emma our GPA officer.



Sport - Soccer

The school soccer team got off to a great start last week with a 3-0 victory against Divine Mercy NS from Lucan. Twenty 5th and 6th class girls played their hearts out and enjoyed getting to represent the school after a two-year break. Teamwork was outstanding from the girls with Mina, Julia and Lexi (all in 5th class!) getting on the scoresheet. Well done girls! Thank you to Mr. Mc Elwain.



More Sport!

The cross country team had great success in St Anne's Park on Thursday April 7th at the Primary Schools Cross Country Races coming home with 14 medals and 2 trophies. Thanks to Ms. Mulvey for organising our school's representation from 3rd – 6th class. Well done to all our runners!

Other sporting activities include camogie, basketball, yoga and soccer. 3rd class girls had a great few weeks learning some soccer skills with Gary from Home Farm FC. *'We loved playing mini matches with each other and learned a lot!'* (R 24)



Science Blast



Ms Corr's 4th class girls were busy working on their science project for the BT Young Scientist Primary Science Fair. They, along with the two 6th classes, participated in this year's Science Blast. Ms Corr's 4th Class and Ms Doolan's 6th class visited Marino Institute of Education to present their projects. Mr Mc Elwain's 6th Class girls presented their research project to a visiting professor from Maynooth University. The judges were very impressed with the girls' findings and had great praise for the girls' research and professionalism in their presentation skills. They were delighted to be presented with a Science Blast trophy. Well done girls! Ms. Kearns's class created paper aeroplanes of different shapes and sizes for Engineers week. They tested their creations out in the yard and watched them soar through the sky!

Great to see the girls excelling in STEM, well done to all!



Dates for your diary

School will reopen on Monday, April 25th

Confirmation Photographs: Tuesday, April 26th

Communion Dates: May 21st & 28th
(photographs May 31st)

School Closures:

May 2nd (Bank Holiday)

June 2nd – June 7th (inclusive) – Re-open June 8th

School year will finish June 30th (half day) and will **re-open August 31st**

Books, books and more books!

The Scholastic Book Fair was a great success – thanks to Ms. Edwards for organising the event and all the parents who helped out.

World Book Day saw favourite characters from much loved stories come to life. Karen from Room 18 was an award-winning finalist in the Dublin City Libraries' Summer Writing Stars Competition this year for her short story Food City. Her classmates were delighted to illustrate the story during one of their art classes. Well done to Karen and the Room 18 illustrators!



Other Initiatives:

Grandparents' Projects, International Women's Day, Seachtain na Gaeilge, Junior Achievement Ireland (JAI), Junior Entrepreneur Programme (JEP).

Green Schools News: The girls have planted thirteen new trees in the grounds of the school. We planted potatoes and onions after St Patrick's Day and the bulbs we planted in Autumn - daffodils, tulips, crocus and grape hyacinth are all stunning now. Check these out the next time you're around the school.

Parents' Association News

A Bake sale will be held in May – detail to follow

A sponsored walk will also be organised during the summer term

Thanks to the parent body for all the help and support

Happy Easter

The girls in Room 18, Miss Dooley's class, enjoyed doing some needlecraft this month. They used felt to make beautiful fabric eggs which were hung on an Easter Tree. Happy Easter everyone!

