



Tubber N.S. Newsletter 2016

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Hello everyone! After the recent bad weather we hope everyone is doing ok!

New Website

Great News! We have a new school website! The Board of Management have invested in a new school website. The website address has not changed so please browse the new site. Should you have any suggestions/ideas please let us know!



Write a book

As you are probably aware we are very busy working on our books for the Write-A-Book competition organised by Clare Education Centre. Thank you to the parents who have provided information, books, etc.



St Brigid's Day

On February 1st the children learned all about the life of St. Brigid and made St. Brigid's crosses with pipe cleaners. They also saw some being made with reeds. It was a great way to start off the Spring season.

St. Blaise

On St. Blaise day February 3rd—Fr Nohilly blessed our throats and we learned about the tradition and the Saint.

Lenten Season

The season of Lent started on Wednesday 10th February. Fr Nohilly called with ashes to the school.

West Side Story

The children and staff attended a matinée viewing of "West Side Story" on Wednesday 13th January in Gort Community centre, It was a great chance to see the great talent nurtured in Gort Community school. We would like to thank all parents who brought the children to/from Gort.



Visit from the Diocesan Advisor

On Wednesday February 10th we had a visit from the diocesan advisor, Joe Searson. Joe spoke to the children about life as a good Christian and reminded us of some of the bible stories we have learned about. The children sang some songs for him and played some tin-whistle tunes.

Easter Holidays

The school will close at 12pm on Wednesday March 16th for Easter holidays. It will re-open on Monday April 4th.



Irish Dancing.

Louisa Curran will commence Irish dancing class in our school after the Easter holidays on Tuesdays.

Valentine's Day

On Friday 12th February we all made some beautiful cards for our very special parents and friends. All the children learned about the history of St Valentine.





Confirmation and Sacrament of the

Eucharist dates:



The children will make their first confession on Saturday March 12th after 8pm mass. The Sacrament of the Eucharist will be on Saturday 16th April, and confirmation is on Sunday 15th May. The school will be closed on Monday 16th of May.

Uniform

We would encourage all children to wear their full uniform (except on sports days) daily. Children have a great sense of 'fairness' and they often remind us if someone doesn't have their full uniform on that it's "not fair". Well done to those who wear it continuously!

Congratulations

A big congratulations to Ms Lee who had a baby girl, Fiadh. We are looking forward to meeting her.



After School



Please ensure Kathleen knows your child is staying for afterschool. All children must be collected by **5pm** at the latest.

Useful websites

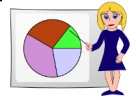
Considering all the recent bad weather it is often handy for parents to be aware of some websites which may keep your child busy! Some of these include:

<http://www.helpmykidlearn.ie/>

<http://www.mathplayground.com/games.html>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education> (KS1 would be most suitable for the junior room and KS2 for the senior room)

Powerpoint Projects



The children in the senior room each researched and created a PowerPoint project on a topic of their choice. A lot of work went into this activity and this could be seen from the end results. Well done to all!

Contact Details

Please ensure that the school has up to date contact details. If you have changed mobile numbers etc. recently please let the school know. It is very important that should an emergency ever arise that someone on your contact list be available.

Board of Management

As you a new Board of Management was put in place in November 2015. The following are the members:

- Mary McCormack (Chairperson)
- Kathleen Taaffe (Treasurer)
- Emma Fogarty (Patron's rep)
- David Conroy (Parent's rep)
- Emma Burke (Parent's rep)
- Enda O'Connor (Community rep)
- Lisa Kilkelly (Principal)
- Fiona Heatley (Teacher—
replacing Patricia Lee)



*May Brigid bless the house
wherein you dwell.
Bless every fireside, every wall
and door. Bless every heart
that beats beneath its roof.
Bless every hand that toils to
bring it joy. Bless every foot
that walks its portals through.
May Brigid bless the house
that shelters you.*