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Confirmation

Congratulations to our 6th class girls who received the Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Macartan's Cathedral on Saturday 18th May. The ceremony was presided over by our new Bishop, Most Reverend Larry Duffy, who visited the girls in the school during the previous week. Sincere thanks to Ms Holland, Mrs Cassidy and Ms. Murtagh for preparing the girls so thoroughly for the sacrament. Mrs Cassidy even surprised her class by turning up to see them all, despite being currently on Maternity Leave! Thanks also to the priests of the parish, particularly to Cannon Paddy, our School Chaplain, for his invaluable guidance and support.



Sports Day

Our annual Sports Day was held on Tuesday 14th May and we were extremely lucky that the day turned out to be fine and sunny! The activities were arranged in a series of stations which included a bouncy castle, disco, football, "Go Noodle," dance, basketball, handball, hula-hooping, Side Kick and of course the traditional races. We are very grateful to Mrs Hannon and Mrs Mone for organising the events and to Pat & Tom of the FAI who provided coaching in soccer skills.

There was great excitement when "Paradise Ices", the ice-cream van arrived! Each girl was treated to her choice of plain cone, 99 or Slushie, courtesy of our generous Parents' Association. All in all, it was a most enjoyable day for pupils and staff alike.



Dates to remember

Welcome Evening for new 2nd classes-

Thursday 30th May

School Closed—

Monday 3rd June

(Bank Holiday)

6th class Graduation-

Thursday 13th June

School Closing for

Summer —Wednesday

26th June @ 12.25pm

(half day)

Official Opening of Rossmore Play Park.

On Monday 20th May, the 2nd and 3rd class pupils on our Student Council attended the Official Opening of Rossmore's new state-of-the art Play Park for children. They were accompanied by Mrs Flynn, Mrs Dowd, Mrs Gallagher and Mrs Farrell. Representatives from all the local primary schools who had been involved in the consultation process of planning the park had been invited to attend. After speeches by Minister Heather Humphreys and a number of public dignitaries, the girls were allowed to explore the new park and play on the fantastic array of equipment. They were also treated to refreshments before returning to school. This is a wonderful new facility for Monaghan and the surrounding areas and one which should be of great benefit to our families.



FAI 5-Aside Ulster Finals

Congratulations to our soccer squad of eight who competed in the Ulster Final of the FAI 5-aside Schools' Tournament in Letterkenny, Co. Donegal on Wednesday 8th May. The girls were representing Monaghan, having previously secured the county title at Gortakeegan on April 11th. They played three very tough matches in Letterkenny. They were beaten in two by Donegal teams and had a win in their encounter with Cavan. We are grateful to all those who coached the squad: Ms. McNally, Ms. O'Neill and Paul McGeown. Thanks too to Mrs Gallagher who accompanied them to Letterkenny with Ms. O'Neill. Squad members are: Niamh McElwain, Aoife Devlin, Ella Lappin, Alanna McKenna, Leah Ward, Lauren Ward, Gloria Marut and Ernesta Marut.

Circuit Training at Coral Leisure Centre

On Monday 20th May a number of our junior classes were invited to Coral Leisure Centre to take part in some circuit training. The girls were put through their paces doing various exercises from lunging to press-ups, planks, squats and even burpees! After a challenging workout, the girls put on their dancing shoes and learnt some moves to the famous country tune 'Pick a bale of cotton'. The dance proved popular with all and many said this was their favourite part! All in all, the girls thoroughly enjoyed their session and we thank Coral Leisure for inviting us to take part.

Gaelic

A selection of 5th and 6th class girls took part in the Cumann na mBunscol Division 1 League on Wednesday the 15th May. They played two matches against Castleblaney GNS and Gaelscoil Ultain where they beat Castleblaney and were narrowly beaten by the Gaelscoil. Ms Mc Nally accompanied them on the day.

On May 22nd they travelled to Carrickmacross with Ms Reilly where they took part in Day Two of the Division 1 League. The girls played Urbleshanny NS & Carrickmacross G.N.S. Our team played tremendously in both games and were unfortunate to avoid victory. Very well done to all the girls involved. Thanks also to Ms McNally and Ms Reilly for coaching the girls. Squad members are: Alanna Mc Kenna, Daisy Walker, Ella Lappin, Niamh Mc Elwain, Aoife Fitzgerald, Aoife & Ella Connolly, Natalie Connolly, Lauren & Leah Ward, Klaudia Kaczor, Nan Cawley, Rhianna Bell, Emma Mc Cann, Clodagh Smyth, Kaitlyn Dearden, Austeja Kripaite, Manisha Manoharan, Lindsey Mc Enaney-Coyle & Leah Cawley.



2nd Class Open Night

Tomorrow evening at 7.30 pm we are having a special Open Night for our newly-enrolled pupils from St. Louis Infant School. The girls and their parents will have a short information talk, followed by a visit to their new classrooms and an opportunity to meet with their new teachers. We are very much looking forward to meeting our second class girls of 2019/20!

Athletics

Ms Brady and Mrs Hannon have just completed trials to select a team for the Primary Schools Track and Field Competition which will be held in the Peace Link, Clones on Thursday 7th June. The girls are training everyday and are looking forward to the upcoming competition. Team members include: Daisy Walker, Niamh McElwain, Aoife Fitzgerald, Shindara Oluwasokale, Paulina Chasanovaite, Ernesta Marut, Caragh Donnelly, Holly Walker, Jasmine Coyle, Wiktorija Obara, Victoria Labanauskaitė, Ellie Mai Hammkil, Melodie Williams, Deimante Lileikyte and Cáitlin O' Brien



6th Class visit to Combilift

Yesterday, our 6th class pupils and five members of staff visited the Combilift Global Headquarters at Annahagh, Monaghan. They watched an introductory video in the company's own cinema room and were then taken in groups for a tour of the plant. The girls were able to witness first-hand the entire process involved in the manufacture of a forklift, from design right through to the finished product.

We are most thankful to Ms. Catherine Fox of Combilift for organising this opportunity for our pupils.

