

SCOIL MHUIRE NA NGAEI

NEWSLETTER



MARCH 2025

School Debating Competition

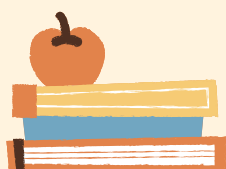
On Friday the 14th of February the inaugural Sharon Durnin Memorial Cup Debates took place in Scoil Mhuire na nGael. The new competition was named in honour of the school's dearly departed member of staff, who is very much missed amongst the staff and students in Scoil Mhuire na nGael.

Debate teams from five different schools took part in the competition, which saw well-reasoned and articulate debates on a number of motions, including; School Uniforms Should Be Banned, All Zoos Should Be Closed and People Should Not Eat Meat. The group stages saw some excellent contributions from St Oliver's NS and Dulargy NS, while Scoil Mhuire na nGael also provided some robust arguments.

It was St Nicholas Monastery and St Francis NS who proceeded to the final to debate the motion 'Every House Should Have a Pet'.

After much deliberation, it was announced that St. Francis NS had won and had the honour of collecting the Cup, which was presented by the Durnin family.

Scoil Mhuire na nGael would like to thank all the schools and students who took part in the debates, both as speakers and those pupils who chaired each debate. A special word of thanks must also go to the judges, Mr Niall Sloane and Mrs Marion McNally. Finally, the school's gratitude must also go to the Durnin family for their cooperation and presence.



Sacrament Preparations

On Monday the 10th of February the children in 6th class attended The Ceremony of Light and The Commitment Ceremony. It was celebrated in the school by Fr. Murtagh.

First Penance for the communicants took place in the Holy Family Church On Thursday the 27th of February.

Thank you to all the children and class teachers for their hard work in making these a special event for all.

Upcoming Events

- March 14th : Green Day
- March 28th: Confirmation
- April 11th: Dress up for World Book Day
- May 9th: First Communion
- June 19th: 6th Class Graduation Night
- June 11th & 12th: School Musical

Matilda

(Tickets go on sale closer to the time)

Bake Sale

The children had a great time hosting the annual cake sale. This year we raised €2102. 53. These proceeds will be used to fund activities for our special classes throughout the year.

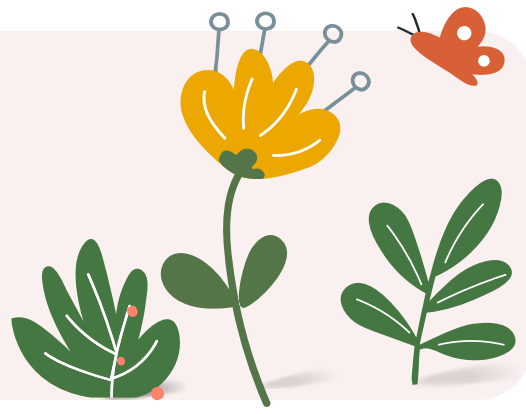


SCHOOL CLOSURES

MARCH 18TH (SCHOOL HOLIDAY)

APRIL 11TH HALF DAY NOON FINISH FOR EASTER HOLIDAYS

APRIL 28TH (MATHS CURRICULUM DAY FOR TEACHERS)



ENGINEERS WEEK

ENGINEERS WEEK 2025 TOOK PLACE FROM SATURDAY, 1 - FRIDAY, 7 MARCH 2025.

JUNIOR & SENIOR INFANTS BUILT TOWERS USING MARSHMALLOWS

1ST & 2ND WORKED ON CODING WITH MS. NÍ DHONNACHADHA

3RD & 4TH UNDERTOOK LEGO PROGRAMMING

5TH & 6TH USED VARIOUS MATERIALS TO EXPLORE BRIDGE BUILDING

4TH CLASS ALSO ATTENDED AN INSCHOOL WORKSHOP CALLED H2O HEROES GIVEN BY DKIT

POLICIES

Please note that all school policies can be found on the school website.

www.bayestatens.com

These Policies include Anti Bullying, Child Safe Guarding and mobile phone.

SPORTS

The boys and girls in both 5th and 6th class coached by Ms. Gamble, Ms. Rice and Ms. O'Hare, played a friendly game of basketball against the Gaelscoil on March 5th. All the children represented their respective schools with pride.

PEACE PROMS

The peace Proms will take place this Sunday (March 9th) in the SSE arena in Belfast.

Representatives from 5th and 6th class will be in attendance accompanied by Ms. Gamble, Ms. Molloy and Ms. O'Hare.

LIBRARY

Our School Library is back in operation this month. This is a valued resource and we hope the children enjoy the books and take care of them when borrowed.

We appreciate your support in keeping this resource in good working order.

