JUNE NEWSLETTER

Calendar dates

Please note the following dates for your calendars.

St Brigid's and St Fergal's schools will be closed Fri 4 June and Monday 7 June, as per our joint school calendar.

There will be no Early Start on Wednesday 16 June to allow socially-distanced individual visits to the Early Start classes by next year's children and their parents. Written invitations will be posted to the families.

There will be a half day on Wednesday 23 June for all children in the <u>Infant School</u> only. We invite the incoming Junior Infants and ONE parent to visit their new classrooms to meet their new teachers in safe, socially distanced manner. We will phone all families a time.

We are looking forward to meeting our new pupils and their parents.

Application forms for the few remaining places in Early Start and Junior Infants should be handed in to the office before that date, with birth cert and proof of PPS.

School reports will be posted out on Friday 18 June. Do we have your correct address?

Summer term activities at St Brigid's

The children have been busy with indoor and outdoor learning. Senior Infants and First Classes have been doing literacy tests to give us and their follow-on schools information about their learning needs for next year.

Our summer Spraoi continues into June with more fun outdoor activities: gardening, games, yoga and races and nature trails. There will be no school tours this year, but plenty of fun in school.

We have zones marked on the grass out the front and we will resume our summer tradition of playtime on the grass. Please be prepared for sunshine, cool weather and hayfever.

Laura from Erin's Isle came in to do GAA skills with all classes. A great time was had by all! Several of our children attend weekly training at Erin's Isle. We are sure that lots more will join the lessons after the fun they had training with Laura.

Grasshoppers (boys and girls aged 4 to 6): Saturday 10.00 – 11.15 am

Girls U 7 Camogie and Football: Wednesday 5.30 – 6.30 & Saturday 10.00 – 11.30 am

Boys U 7 Hurling & Football: Saturday 11.15 am - 12.30 pm

Ring Laura at 083 017 6813 if interested.

Dublin City libraries are open again and would love to see the children coming back to change their books or to join up.

Looking forward to next year

Sadly there will be no parents attending our First Class graduation, but we will share the photos on Class Dojo. The boys will go on a trip to St Fergal's (outdoor visit) to see their new school and the girls will take a trip across the carpark to visit their new school too.

If any First Class or Senior Infant children would like to keep their PM reading site licence for the summer, please ask the class teacher on Class Dojo.

We will be meeting our incoming Early Start and Junior Infants during their visits.

Safety near our school

Our lollipop wardens Ellen, Margaret and Sheila are standing outside the school every morning and afternoon, whatever the weather, to help the children cross safely. Please help our pupils to cross the road safely by leaving the zigzag and double yellow lines clear.

For the safety of all, bikes and scooters should be wheeled up the path from the gate to the school. It's good to see the children cycling and scooting, and it's even better to see the children the good lifetime habit of wearing helmets.

At hometime, children must walk to the gate under the supervision of their parents.

A very special thank you to our Board of Management members

We send a very special thank you to the voluntary members of the Board of Management of St Brigid's Infant school for their time, energy, expertise, wisdom and commitment to the safety, wellbeing and education of the children and staff and safe and orderly running of the school. They have been a huge support to the staff of the school during this challenging school year.

A message from the HSE public health doctors on the Schools Team

In a letter to all schools, the doctors in Public Health medicine have asked all schools in Ireland to remind families that anyone with any symptoms that might be related to Covid-19 NOT TO DELAY in seeking advice from their GP.

There will be one more newsletter before school closes with a half day on Wednesday 30 June. Any summer updates will be published on our website www.stbrigidsinfantschool.ie.