

Scoil Bhríde - Loreto National School Newsletter

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Hello everyone! This is our 18th issue of our annual newsletter and we hope you will enjoy reading all about the wonderful things we did throughout the year, and of course, all the hard work that we did during the year. As you will see, it was a very busy year for all of us.

*Scoil Bhríde would like to wish the sixth class every good luck as they go on to secondary school.
Go dté sibh slán.*

Primary Debating Ireland - Loreto are County Champions



Front Row: Left to Right: Aisling Reidy, Zena Shine and Eimear Beazley. Back Row: Mrs. O'Sullivan Principal, Áine O'Connor, Ciara Randles and Filip Korzec.

We began our long journey of debating in September after we had trials in our class to be on the debating team. On the 12th of Nov 2013, the Loreto debating team of Eimear Beazley, Ciara Randles, Aisling Reidy, Zena Shine, Áine O' Connor and Filip Korzec took part in the first round of the Kerry Primary Debating Competition, in the Teachers' Centre Tralee. Eimear Beazley was the captain as well as the first speaker, Ciara Randles was the second speaker, Aisling Reidy was the third speaker, Zena Shine and Áine O' Connor were the time keepers and Filip Korzec was the chairperson.

In the first round we met Kilflynn N.S. We were opposing the motion "That Homework is a waste of time". We were thrilled to win and we proceeded to the county quarter finals. Our opposition was

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Ardfert N.S (the reigning All Ireland champions). We headed back to the Teachers' Centre, in Tralee on the 25th Nov 2013 to propose the motion "That Climate change is not my problem".

It was a very close debate and we were delighted to discover that we had successfully made it to the semi-finals on Wednesday the 4th of Dec. This time we came up against a polished team from Kiltallagh N.S. We were opposing the motion "That I pads should replace all school books". The motion was defeated which meant that we advanced to the county final.

We came up against Ardfert N.S. again on Monday 16th Dec 2013 in the County Final. On the day there were trophies lined up on the table. We were a little nervous but we gave it our all. We were opposing the motion "Beauty Pageants help children with their self esteem". After the debate the adjudicators announced "It was extremely close, but Loreto has just shaded it". We were county champions. To top it off Ciara won the award for Best Speaker. We returned to school in triumph.

It was back to work again after Christmas. The Munster semi-final was held in the Devon Inn on Wednesday Feb 19th. Our opposition was Caherline N.S. We were opposing the motion that "social networking sites do more good than bad". Caherline were worthy opponents, but at the end of a very lively debate the adjudicators announced that Loreto had won and would be going forward to the Munster Final.

The Munster Final was held on Monday March 3rd 2014 in the Abbey Hotel in Baile Bhúirne at 11:00 am. Our opposition was Ballinacarriga N.S. the cork champions. We brought supporters from 4th 5th and 6th class. They had helped us along our journey with practice debates. We were opposing the motion that "Charity begins at home, here in Ireland". There was a very high standard of debating. Unfortunately on this occasion the motion was carried and Ballinacarriga were the

winners. However we were delighted that Aisling Reidy won the award for best speaker.

We were presented with beautiful trophies as runners up in Munster. While we were initially disappointed, we realised that success is a journey not a destination. We have learned so much from our experience of debating – teamwork, how to research, how to present and debate arguments. Our confidence increased with every debate. We can be very proud of our achievements and the experience will stand to us in the future. We did our best and we are very happy that we progressed this far.

We would like to thank our parents for their support and for driving us to all the venues. We would also like to thank our fellow students for providing us with challenging practice debates.

Beidh lá eile againn.

By Eimear Beazley and Zena Shine 6th class

Mary O'Sullivan Principal and class teacher said "the children worked so hard to achieve this – they were totally dedicated – giving of their time and effort – great credit is due to them. The other children helped by providing practice debates every step of the way, and all of the children benefited. The experience increased their self confidence and will always stand to them.

We are very proud of them.

The standard of oral literacy is certainly extremely high in our primary schools".

Christmas Parade

On Friday the 29th of November we gathered on Scotts Street for the Killarney Traders Christmas Parade. We wore Santa hats and were in great spirits. We marched through Killarney until we came to Market Cross. Teen Spirit were singing.

There was a wonderful atmosphere. Then Santa arrived with Mrs. Claus and all his elves. We stood under the Loreto banner. Santa turned on the Christmas lights and we all cheered.

By: Hugh Cremin 5th class...

Torc

On Thursday the 5th of September 2013 we decided to take advantage of the fine weather to climb Torc. Mrs O'Sullivan, Mr Looney and Rosemarie were joined by some very kind parents – Joy, John and Bernadette.

The word Torc comes from the word "wild boar" and the mountain is 535m high. We were delighted at this unexpected hike. We met in the car park in the morning. First we walked along the Old Kenmare road and then we started the climb. The Old Kenmare road was once the main road from Killarney to Kenmare. Donkeys and carts travelled the road. A blue sign on our right indicated the path up to Torc Mountain. The winding path went zig zag gently up over stones and timber planks. We stopped several times for a rest and picnic.

Finally we reached the summit of Torc. Below us the scenery was amazing. To our right we could see the town of Killarney, Muckross House, Ross Castle, the Cathedral and Dundag beach. In the distance we could see Inch. We could see the three lakes of Killarney the Upper Lake, the Middle Lake and the Lower lake/Lough Léin. Lough Léin means the lake of learning. Behind us we could see Mangerton Mountain which is 300m higher than Torc and the Devil's Punch Bowl which was carved out by ice millions of years ago. We had a picnic and a rest and we took some pictures. We enjoyed the spectacular views and we chatted together as we identified local sights and made our way down slowly. We had great fun coming down.

We met our parents at the car park at two o'clock. The best part of the day was coming down the mountain. I think we should do this every year!

By Thomas Cronin 6th class

Cumann na mBunscoil 11 aside Football

On Thursday the 3rd of October 5th and 6th class went to Spa to play in the first round of the Cumann na mBunscoil football league. First we played a match against Loughquittane. We were victorious!!! This was a very sporting game. Our Captain was Dónal O'Connell. We were delighted to get through to the next round. There was excitement in the air. We were all wishing to get to the finals. Dónal's and Áine's moms kept up our energy levels by giving us some hot chocolate and Galaxy bites. Their hard efforts were rewarded when we won the next match against Kilgarvan. This time the Captain was myself, Filip. On this occasion we won 4-3 to 2-2. Then we went on to play our final match of the day. This time the Captain was Áine O'Connor. She led our way to an easy victory against Cahir. We were very happy to get to the finals. Every one got a chance to play on the day. It was cloudy and rainy but it didn't dampen our spirits. Our brilliant football panel was comprised of Adam Walsh, Thomas Cronin, Dónal O'Connell, Zena Shine, Ruth Courtney, Ciara Randles, Eimear Beazley, Áine O'Conner, Jack Cooper, Ryan O'Grady, Paudie O'Donoghue, Robert O'Shea, Hugh Cremin, Treasa O'Sullivan, Darragh Kelly, William Shine, Lawrence O'Donoghue, Brogan Flaherty, Owen Benson and Niamh Stack. We were happy to get to the finals and have another day out against Knockaderry. Loreto ABÚ!

By: Filip Korzec 6th class

Credit Union Quiz

On Sunday February second 2014 four teams represented Loreto in the Credit Union Quiz. The members of our under 11 teams were Dan Kelliher, Jack Greaney, Ailbhe Gammell, Sam Benson, Daniel Carroll, Peter Walsh, Sarah Reidy and Caelyn O' Grady. Unfortunately Jack Greaney was sick on the day, but he was ably replaced by Conor Gammell. The members of our under 13 teams were Saidbh Murphy, Robert O' Shea, Treasa O' Sullivan,

Darragh Kelly, Ruth Courtney, Isobel McAllen, Emily Shaw and Donal O' Connell. Everyone did really well and we are all very proud of them.

By: Donal O' Connell 6th Class

Nativity Nightmares by 6th class

On the 12th of December 2013 our 6th class put on a magnificent performance called "Nativity Nightmares". It was a challenge but we got there in the end. The story started with the teachers beginning their day with a nice cup of coffee, worrying where they'll ever get time to put on a Christmas play.

Next they went on to the auditions and one week on...the show began to come together. Another week passed and it was show time! All the parents got their seats and the show got underway. It was a great success. All of our parents were very proud of us. We really enjoyed practising for and performing our Christmas play.

The cast consisted of:

Ciara Randles ~ Teacher 1

Ruth Courtney ~ Teacher 2

Alanna Sheahan ~ Teacher 3

Emily Shaw ~ Teacher 4

Vero ~ Teacher 5

Fabiola ~ Teacher 6

Adam Walsh ~ Seán the caretaker + Teacher 7

Aisling Reidy ~ Mary

Filip Korzec ~ Joseph

Zena Shine ~ Wise man 1 Caspar

Eimear Beazley ~ Wise man 2 Melchior

Isobel McAllen ~ Wise man 3 Balthazar

Áine O'Connor ~ King Herod

Lucía ~ Shepherd 1

Daisy ~ Shepherd 2

Pepe ~ Shepherd 3

Thomas Cronin ~ Inn keeper 1

Donal O'Connell ~ Inn keeper 2

Margaret O'Brien ~ Gabriel

Nuria ~ Angel

By Áine O'Connor & Ruth Courtney.

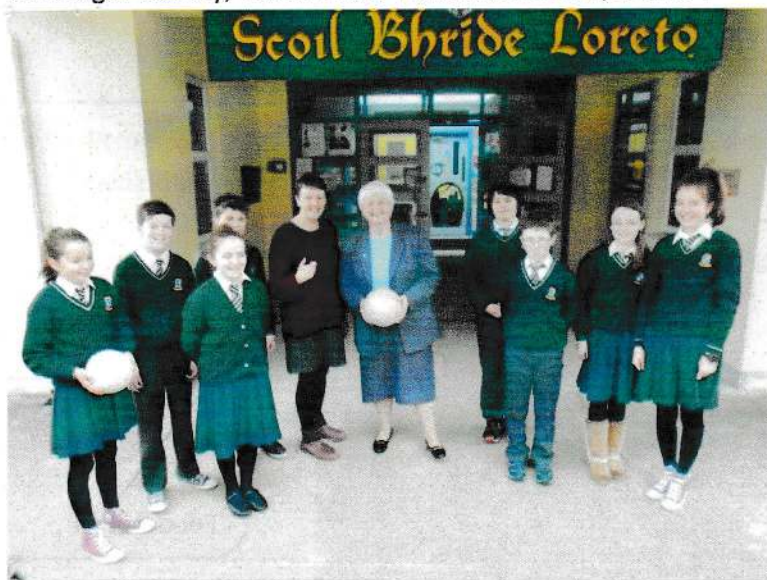
Launch of Béaloideas Chiarraí CD

For almost a decade, Béaloideas Chiarraí has been involved in recording the folklore and folklife of County Kerry. During 2013, Béaloideas Chiarraí sponsored the Schools' Folklore project, in association with South Kerry Development Partnership. The schools which took part were Scoil Naomh Mícheál, Sneem, Scoil Mhuire, Killorglin, Scoil Bhríde, Loreto, Muckross, Killarney, Scoil Naisiúnta Dar Earca, Valentia Island and Scoil Réalt na Mara, Tuosist. We read essays from 1938 written by children at the time who interviewed their grandparents and old people in the area.

Weeshie Fogarty launched the CD in Muckross House on Wednesday the 11th of December 2013. We attended the launch, received refreshments and bought copies of the CD. It was a wonderful experience. We learned a lot about life for people in Ireland in the late 19th Century. We also talked about the projects we did on our grandparents. It was a lot of fun and we would like to thank JJ O'Shea who researched, recorded and produced this project. We would also like to thank Mrs. O'Sullivan who helped us with this project.

By: Aisling Reidy 6th class.

Sr. Bridget Tunney, Loreto Sister visits Scoil Bhríde, Loreto .



South Kerry Juvenile Hurling Board introduced hurling coaching to the schools in the greater Killarney area.



Participants in the Killarney Area Sports evening in Castleisland



A token for Sr. Pauline who has left Killarney and is currently residing in Dublin.



The Launch of the Béaloideas CD in Muckross House.



I love my fruit and Vegetables.



Food Dudes

Ms O'Reilly initiated the "Food Dudes Programme" in the school. Children received free fruit and were encouraged to have healthy lunches during the following weeks.



The Life Education Bus visited Scoil Bhríde in May and all classes had the opportunity to visit it.

Lenten Raffle: Our Lenten Raffle took place on the day of the Easter Holidays. Proceeds go to support the Loreto School we are twinned with in Jicamarca in Peru. Children are asked to bring in suitable prizes e.g. toys, books etc. they may no longer need for the raffle. There are also lots of other prizes. This year we raised €500. Thanks to all those who bought tickets.



Winners of the Easter Raffle

Owen Benson, Paudie takes Hugh Cremins prize for him, Áine O'Connor and Margaret O'Brien.

Our visit to St. Columbanus' Home and Killarney Community Hospital.

On Saturday the 21st of December 2013 some of the pupils from 5th and 6th class went on a visit to the Killarney Community Hospital and St. Columbanus' Home to entertain the patients. We were joined by some people from Glenflesk. We met outside the district hospital at 1:00pm. We sang Christmas carols and danced and chatted to the elderly people. They were really happy to see us and we brightened up their day. Someday we will be old and we would like someone to come see us.

We walked across to St. Columbanus' Home to sing and play music there also.

We were very thirsty after our hard work and were delighted when Ms O'Sullivan produced refreshments.

Over all we had a great day and everyone had fun. We hope that the old people enjoyed our visit too.

By Emily Shaw 6th class

Visit of Sr. Brigid Tunney to our School.

Sister Brigid Tunney came to visit Loreto on the 4th of April 2014. We were very fortunate to have her visiting and it was a great privilege to learn about the Loreto missions. Sister Brigid Tunney is originally from Letterkenny but is currently living in Dublin. We are very grateful to Sr. Brigid as she had a long journey from Dublin to Killarney especially to visit our school. 6th 5th 4th 3rd and 2nd class all gathered in Mr. Looney's classroom to learn about the Loreto missions. To begin Sr. Brigid spoke about Mary Ward who was an English woman who founded the Loreto convent and fought for education for girls. She also spoke about Teresa Ball who was an Irish woman who started the Loreto convents in Ireland. In 1841 an Indian priest asked Teresa to send some of her nuns to India to build Loreto convents. Teresa didn't want to put her nuns at risk, but the young

priest sent Teresa on a guilt trip- so she asked her nuns who would like to go. To her surprise they all stood up. Teresa picked five nuns to go to India. They set sail in September and didn't arrive till Saint Stephen's day. There are twenty four Loreto missions in the world. Sr. Brigid focused on the Loreto missions in Sudan. Sisters who were sent out to Sudan built a Secondary school. In year 6 which began with a class of twenty-five only six finished. The next year there was a huge increase of twenty-two finishing. Girls are seen as second class citizens so very few get an education. If the girls go to school in the Loreto convents they are promised to get extra food going home at the end of the term. Numbers have increased hugely in Rumbek primary school. The principal of the school is Sr. Kathleen. In 2012 two hundred and fifty students attended the school fifty in each class. The classes are taught under a Lulu tree. In 2013 four hundred and fifty students attended the school and this year five hundred students attend the school. Most teachers are men because the girls don't get an education most of the time. A teacher has the same education as a 6th class Irish student. During the month of January they take a teacher training class for four weeks. We enjoyed our visit from Sr. Brigid. We learned lots of new information and we are delighted that our raffle money is going to such a good cause.

By Eimear Beazley 6th class

Spanish Students

From September to December Spanish students attended our school. There were seven pupils in sixth class and two pupils in fourth class. We welcomed Margarita, Veronica, Lucia, Fabiola, Nuria, Jose Carrillo (Pepe) and Jose Anto to sixth class and we welcomed Roberto and Maria to fourth class. We got to know them quickly and became great friends. We have learned a lot from them and they learned a lot from us. We were sad to see them go but we still keep in touch today.

By Adam Walsh. 6th Class

Jesus Christ Superstar

We went to the INEC on Tuesday the 1st of April 2014 at 11.00am. We took our seats and waited patiently for the show to begin. The lights dimmed and there was silence when the actors began to sing. The first scene was where Judas started to betray Jesus. He told the people that Jesus was pathetic and eventually the people believed him and joined in shouting and teasing Jesus. Mary came in and was very upset with this. Everybody cleared the stage except for Jesus and Mary. Mary tried to comfort Jesus as he was very upset.

The second scene of the first half was with the druids who bribed Judas into betraying Jesus completely. Jesus had the last supper with his twelve apostles including Judas. Judas seemed very upset. Then the first half of the play ended and we had a bite to eat and talked to our friends.

After about a twenty minute interval the second half of the show started. The second scene started with Jesus and all his apostles except for Judas in the garden of Gethsemane. Jesus was telling the apostles about how one of them would betray him and one of them would forsake him three times. Peter argued against him saying they would never do such a thing. Jesus decided to go pray and he asked two of his apostles to stay with him. The two apostles fell asleep and Jesus stayed praying. Suddenly soldiers came onto the scene with Judas. They grabbed Jesus and started to drag him away. Then the apostles woke up and tried to fight them but failed. They brought Jesus to Pilate where Pilate whipped him. Pilate asked the people whether they would prefer Jesus or Barabas to be crucified. They chose Jesus. Then came the carrying of the cross. Jesus went around the theatre with the cross on his back until he got to the stage where the soldiers started to nail him to the cross. It ended with Jesus nailed to the cross. Then all the actors and singers bowed and got an enormous applause. We all enjoyed the magical

performance very much. **By: Isobel McAllen and Margaret O'Brien**

Garda Diane Collins' visit to our school.

On the 4th of April 2014 Garda Diane Collins visited our school to tell us about her job. 4th 5th and 6th class all met in Mr Looney's class room. First she showed us all the different uniforms that Garda Síochána wear on a daily basis. She showed us her baton and demonstrated how to use her handcuffs. Garda Diane taught us what to do when you are in an emergency. At the end we asked some questions and she answered as many as she could. We had a great time and learned many new things about the Garda Síochána. We are thankful to Garda Diane for protecting us and for coming to talk for us.

By: Alanna Sheahan 6th class.



Boys 5 a side Soccer Yellow team.

On the 6th of April the boys went to St. Brendan's Park Tralee. Our first game was against Kilmurry. In that game our team was as follows: goalie: Lawrence O'Donoghue, our two backs were Jack Cooper and William Shine and our two strikers were Robert O Shea and Ryan O Grady. Our three subs were Thomas Cronin, Adam Walsh and Owen Benson the final score was Scoil Bhríde Loreto NS 10 -0 Kilmurry.

For our second game we played last year's winners Tiernaboul. It was all going well until they scored but we still held our heads high. Tiernaboul had possession but we got a lucky counter attack and we scored from it. They scored straight from tip off and from that moment on they started playing very well.



Taking a well-deserved break and admiring the views from the top of Torc Mountain in September



Halloween Dress up/Mad Hair day fundraiser for school.



Christmas in Scoil
Bhríde, Loreto.



The final score was 4 -1. We were disappointed but we still had one game left against Ballyduff. They scored three goals and unfortunately we only scored one in the end.

Overall we all had a great time and a very enjoyable time.

By: Robert O Shea and Jack Cooper 5th class.

The Boys 5 aside Soccer Blue Team.

It was the 6th of April. The blue team was Peter Walsh, Dan Kelliher, Hugh Cremin, Darragh Kelly, Daniel Carroll and Paudie O' Donoghue. Unfortunately Brogan Flaherty missed the 5 aside. The whistle blew, the Ballyduff team scored in the first 3 minutes and in the last minute they scored again. The final score was 2-0 to them. We watched the other game. We also had a bite to eat. The referee called our names. We played then next game against Derryquay. It was 2-0 to them. We watched the yellow team play their last game. We all had a great day. The yellow team consisted of Adam Walsh, Owen Benson, Ryan O'Grady, Robert O'Shea, Jack Cooper, William Shine, Lawrence O'Donoghue, Thomas Cronin. They won a match against Kilmurry and lost a game to Tiernaboul.

By Paudie O' Donoghue and Brogan Flaherty 5th class

Cumann na mBunscoil Football East Kerry Final

In October the 5th and 6th class played Knockaderry In the east Kerry final after qualifying from our group. We practised at school because we knew it was going to be a tough match. Our coaches were Mr. Looney and Mrs. O' Sullivan. In goal we had Lawrence O Donoghue, the backs were William Shine, Adam Walsh, Eimear Beazley and Ruth Courtney. The midfielders were Ryan O Grady and Ciara Randles. The forwards were Robert O Shea, Jack Cooper, Thomas Cronin and Owen Benson. The subs were Paudie O Donoghue, Brogan Flaherty, Hugh Cremin, Zena Shine, Áine O

Connor, Donal O Connell, Darragh Kelly, Niamh Stack and Treasa O Sullivan. We played well from goalie to forwards but they were a stronger team overall. We were delighted that we got to the final

By: Lawrence O Donoghue and Owen Benson 5th class

The Boys 7-a Side Football competition

On the 19th of March the 5th and 6th Class boys drove out to the Dr Crokes football pitch to take part in the primary schools boys 7-a side football competition. For our first game the starting lineup was, Lawrence O' Donoghue in goals, the two backs were Owen Benson and William Shine, the midfielders were Ryan O' Grady and Thomas Cronin. The forwards were Robert O Shea and Jack Cooper. To start off we played Fossa N.S. Loreto started very slowly Fossa got two goals quickly, but that was a wakeup call for Loreto. We went up a gear and got two very good points. We were down by four points at half time. At the start of the second half Loreto got two goals and two points. In the end Loreto won by two points. There was a very good second half display from Loreto but we knew we were going to have to start better against Knockaderry N.S if we wanted to get through to the quarter finals.

Unfortunately Knockaderry proved much stronger. However, we were delighted with our day out.

By Ryan O' Grady and William Shine 5th class.



The Loughquittane Challenge

It was a lovely sunny day in September at Loreto. The Loreto team were practising our football with a challenge game against Loughquittane National School. This game was just a preparation game for the Cumann na mBunscoil football tournament so we had a friendly game and didn't count the score. The Loughquittane football team arrived. It was game time. Loreto won the throw up. We dominated the first half with many scores. Mr. Looney made a few subs and a change in the formation. Loughquittane played better in the second half even though one of their players got hurt and had to come off. The final whistle blew Loreto won by a fair margin. The girls also had a great friendly game. We enjoyed refreshments with our friends from Loughquittane. It was a lovely day for both schools.

By: Darragh Kelly 5th class

Loreto Visit to St.Mary's of the Angels' and Gap Trip

On the 6th of June, 6th class from Scoil Bhríde Loreto will go on our annual visit to St.Francis' Special School and Gap trip. We are hoping for a sunny day. We have to be in school at ten past nine, our usual time.

Our plan is to go to St. Mary of the Angels school and visit the children there first. We will bring some buns or soft food to share with the children. We will each make a special friend. We will play with and get to know our special friends. We will play tunes on the tin whistle and sing songs. This is the most important part of our day. We are very grateful for our own health and will reach out to these special children.

Then we will get a bus to Kate Kearney's Cottage and walk nine miles through the Gap. We will admire the beautiful scenery which has been carved out by glaciations. At Lord Brandon's Cottage we will have another picnic and chat. Then we will get a boat to Innisfallen Island for a

Going Forth Prayer service. Finally we will go back to Ross Castle where we will be collected. We are all very excited about the trip and are really looking forward to it.

By: Donal O'Connell 6th class

Muckross Abbey

On Friday, the 2nd of May Mrs. Moynihan, Mrs. O' Sullivan, Mr. Looney and 4th 5th and 6th classes made our way back from Killeggy graveyard to Muckross Abbey. On our way we passed the Youth Adventure Centre which was the former Church of the Holy Trinity and was built by Henry Arthur Herbert.

We travelled on and arrived at the entrance to the Abbey opposite Molly Darcys. We saw lots of things including red deer, the giant red wood tree which is dead and is lying down and a row of lime trees along Friars' Walk which is a pathway along which the monks prayed and meditated. We made our way to a big tree and ate our lunch. Then we went into the graveyard.

The first grave we saw was that of Patrick Kelleher. Patrick was a past pupil of Loreto who died when he was ten. We all took a moment to say a prayer for him. We said some prayers for other people before going inside. Inside the Abbey we saw the McCarthy Mór tomb. We also observed the nave and the tower. We saw two different kinds of arches /The Romanesque arches (rounded) and the gothic arches (pointed). We saw the plaque that commemorates the four Kerry poets - Eoghan Rua O' Súilleabháin, Aogán O' Rathaille, Piaras Feirtéir and Sifraí O' Donnchú.

When we reached the cloister we saw the famous yew tree, thought to be a healing tree because it gives out red sap that looks like blood. There is a sundial carved on one of the flags on the surrounding wall of the cloister. Upstairs there is a dining room, a kitchen and a dormitory. Then we

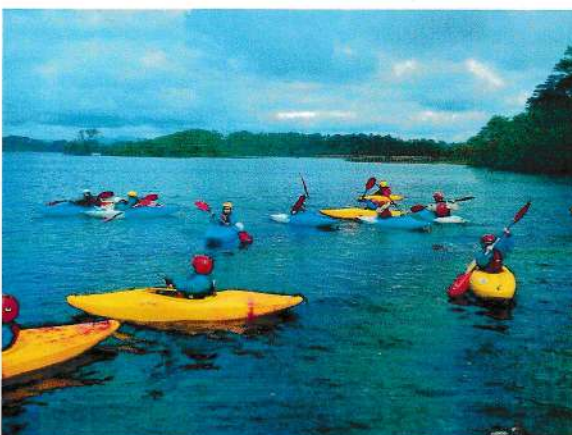


**Senior girls
Soccer team**

Taking a rest to have lunch during the senior school tour.



Kayaking and orienteering at Ross Castle



Focal Buíochas:

Sincere thanks to our teachers, our SNAs, our secretary, our caretaker, the Board of Management, Parents' Association and all who have helped in any way with the running of our school over the past year.



Green School Flag: We are

delighted to announce that the school has been successful in its application for a Green School Flag for **biodiversity**.

Mrs. Moynihan, Saidbh Murphy, Ruth Courtney and Adam Walsh collected the Flag at An Taisce's Green School's Ceremony on Tuesday 21st May at the Silver Springs Hotel, Cork.

BIODIVERSITY

GREEN FLAG



A big thank you to Conor McCarthy (Fionn's dad) for helping with our bug hotel and to Chiari Verdekal (Kai's mom) for her help with the Biodiversity Art project. Well done to Ms. O'Connell green school co-ordinator, the green school team and all the pupils and staff.



5th Green Flag for Loreto

had another look in the graveyard and prayed for our relatives.

Muckross Abbey was founded for the Franciscan Order and was built in 1448 by McCarthy Mór. It is the burial place of local chieftains. It has suffered a violent history and has been damaged and reconstructed many times. In 1542 Henry VIII wanted to divorce his wife but the pope wouldn't let him, so Henry became a Protestant and suppressed the monasteries. In 1589 Elizabeth I banned all the monks, In 1653 Oliver Cromwell's troops burned the Abbey down. In 1698 the Penal laws were enacted and the monks were forced to go to Spain or France. In 1860 they moved to the present Friary on Martyrs' Hill.

On the way back we took the old funeral road and we passed the Cloghereen stream. We picked up litter as we walked. We then returned to the old Muckross Post Office where our parents collected us. We would like to thank Mrs. Moynihan, Mrs. O' Sullivan and Mr. Looney for taking us on a wonderful tour and we learned a lot and really enjoyed the day.

By: Zena Shine 6th class Saidbh Murphy and Ailbhe Gammell 5th class.

Killeggy Graveyard

On Friday May 2nd 4th, 5th and 6th class gathered at the Blue Pool Art Gallery (Old Muckross Post Office) at 9:15am. It was a lovely mild summer's morning, perfect for exploring the beautiful environment of Muckross.

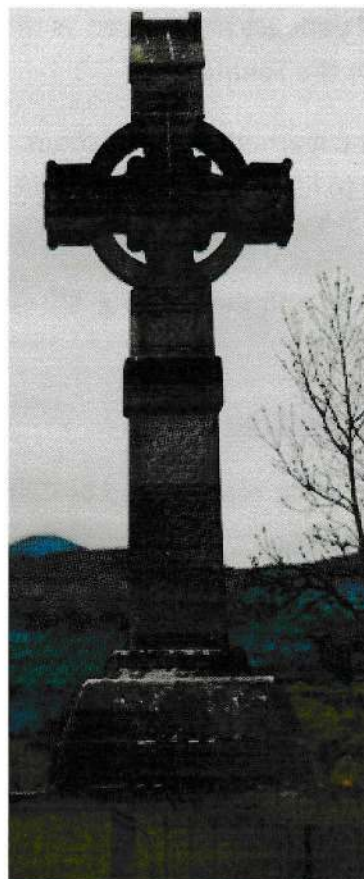
We began by walking past Dan Kelliher's house. There is a plaque on the front of the house saying 'H.A.H 1879'. This was the estate manager's house and was built by Henry Arthur Herbert.

We continued walking up the path to Killeggy. Killeggy is set into a loose copse of scots pine and oak. It's a place where you could step into a rabbit burrow or badger sett. Red or Sika deer might graze here in the early morning. Bats zig zag

overhead in late or early light. At night the screech of an owl could be heard and wild flowers abound.

"The adventures of Baron Munchausen" was written over 200 years ago by Rudolf Eric Raspe, who is buried in an unmarked grave in Killeggy. Raspe was born in 1730 in Prussia which is now part of Germany. He became a professor of archaeology and keeper of the national Library. He disappeared with some of the state treasures and though arrested, managed to escape.

He surfaced in England in the 1770s where he lectured in the Royal Academy and published several books including one on volcanoes and a very famous one on mineralogy. Raspe died of a fever shortly after he arrived in Killarney. The St. Mary's Church of Ireland register in Killarney gives the date of his death as the 19th of November 1794 and as pointed out already, he is said to be buried in an unmarked grave in Killeggy. Raspe is best remembered as the author of "The adventures of Baron Munchausen" which was published in English in 1785.



Everything in Killeggy is dominated by the huge Celtic cross that is seen by all who pass on the road to Muckross House. The cross is richly engraved with Celtic scrolling. The inscription reads "In affectionate memory of the right honourable Henry Arthur Herbert. Born in 1866, his tenantry have erected this cross to record their sense of his virtue and their grief for his

loss. The tenants paid for the cross by having a penny deducted from their wages each week but it was a long time before the sculptor was fully paid. Much of the Muckcross land was acquired by the Land Commissions who did not have a mechanism to continue deductions. As a result the sculptor never received most of the money he was due although the tenants were paying much lower rent for their land.

It is said that Henry Arthur Herbert is buried sitting on a great chair looking out over all his land so that on resurrection day he would have a head start running down the hill ahead of everyone else.

A headstone in Valentia slate a little away to the right of the Celtic Cross has a coat of arms and underneath "Arthur Rose Vincent CBE, Born 9th of June 1876 and died on the 24th of September 1956.

Vincent and his father in law William Bowers Bourn presented Muckcross House and 11,000 acres to the people of Ireland in 1932 to become our first great national park. He also served as the Taoiseach's nominee in the Senate.

We had a great day and learned so much about Killeggy and are so glad to learn some more about our local heritage

By: Eimear Beazley and Caoimhe Fleming 5th class.

Girls Football Skills Competition

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It was a lovely bright summer's morning perfect for a day's football. We gathered at Dr. Crokes pitch at 9:30 am. We were accompanied by Helena Randles.

Ten teams participated from East Kerry. Our team scored 41 points to come in a very close second place. Ciara Randles won best individual on the day and will go forward to the county final on the sixth of June 2014. Go n-éirí leí.

By: Ciara Randles 6th class

Killarney Area School Sports

On Friday the 9th of May, the Killarney Area School Sports were held in An Ríocht track in Castleisland. We had a great start to the day with Sorchá Beazley coming third in the 1st class girls 100m. Next up was Conor Gammell who ran a very good race coming second in the 3rd class boys 80m. In the 4th class boys 200m we had two medals, a gold from Jack Greaney and a bronze from Charles O'Brien. Both boys ran very well. In the 5th class girls 100m we had a bronze medal



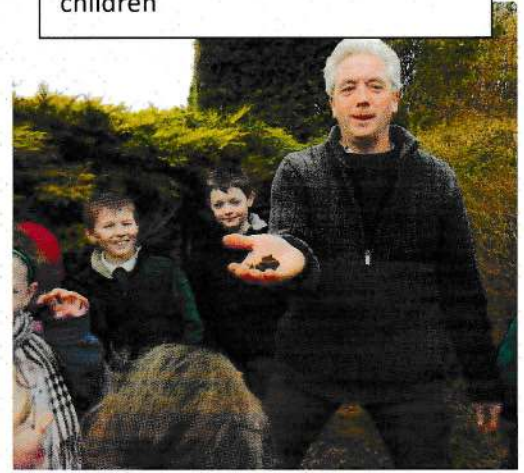
from a flying Caoilinn O'Donoghue. In the last sprint final of the day we had the 6th class girls 100m.

Another two well deserved medals were won here – a gold medal to Ruth Courtney and a silver medal to Eimear Beazley. We had lots of medals in the 5th class boys and girls 600m. In the boys William Shine ran a brilliant race earning himself a gold medal. Not too far behind was Robert O'Shea who ran well to win a silver medal. In the girls 600m we had Treasa O'Sullivan running well to earn herself a bronze medal. In the 3rd class boys turbo javelin Cillian Courtney came first and David O'Donoghue came second.

Last but not least, we had the relays. The 1st and 2nd class girls relay ran very well to win bronze medals. The team consisted of Clodagh Lucey, Sorchá Beazley, Jessica Fuller and Nicole Murphy. The subs were Sarah Cooper, Ella Barrett, Lucey Keane, Liadh Clarke and Elizabeth Fleming. In the 3rd and 4th class relay the girls won bronze medals. Their team was Liadh Beazley, Caelyn O'Grady, Beatrice Klasauskaite and Sue O'Donoghue. Their sub was Nicole Murphy who ran on the night. The 3rd and 4th class boys ran brilliantly coming first in the final. Their team consisted of Cillian Courtney, Conor Gammell, Charles O'Brien and Jack



Ian McGregor speaking to the children



Scoil Bhrídes
First BUG
HOTEL



L.E.A.F. Day
Learn all about
Forests
28th March 2014



Ian McGregor visited the school and carried out activities based on the importance of trees.



Juniors and Seniors
classes help with the
planting .





Greaney. Their sub was David O'Donoghue. Lastly, 5th and 6th class girls relay, earned themselves silver medals. Their team was Eimear Beazley, Emily Shaw, Caoilinn O'Donoghue and Ruth Courtney. Their subs were Ailbhe Gammell, Chloe Coughlan and Margaret O'Brien. Everybody who competed ran extremely well! I would like to wish all the children who are going forth to the County Finals on the 24th of May the best of luck. Well done to everyone.

By: Ruth Courtney 6th class.

Gymnastics and Yoga

A big thank you to the Parents' Association who fundraised to provide gymnastics and yoga classes for us.



Girl's 5-a-side F.A.I soccer tournament

On the 29th of April 2014 girls from 5th & 6th class headed to Tralee to participate in the 5-a-side soccer tournament. The yellow team consisted of Áine O'Connor, Ruth Courtney, Niamh Stack, Treasa O'Sullivan, Ciara Randles, Eimear Beazley & Zena Shine.

The blue team included Chloe Coughlan, Saidbh Murphy, Caoimhe Fleming, Caoilinn O'Donoghue and Ailbhe Gammell. The blue team had a victory over Kilmurry but were narrowly defeated by Raheen.

The yellow team played Kilmurry first. They had an easy victory. Then they played Firies. This was a more challenging game but they came out on top again. Next we moved on to play Raheen in the quarter final. This was a good game but we managed to win again. The score was 3-1. We advanced to the semi final where we played Knockanes. This was a nail biting game from start to finish. We drew 0-0 so we had to play extra

time. Nobody scored in the 5 minutes of extra time so we had to go to penalties. Both teams gave it their all but the better team won on the day and went on to beat Faha in the final.

We all had a brilliant day and came home happy that we had represented our school.

By: Áine O'Connor 6th class

Carol singing in Killarney 11th December 2013

We left school at 2p.m. and went to the town centre and sang lots of different Christmas carols for approximately two hours. We were fundraising for our school. One of our favourite songs was "Wake Me up" as Gaeilge! We played some songs on our tin whistles. We had a great day and collected a lot of money.

By: Peter Walsh and Daniel Carroll 5th class.

Christmas Celebrations

Junior and Senior Infants, 1st 2nd and 3rd class sang beautiful Christmas songs for all the parents and grandparents. They put everyone into the Christmas spirit.

4th and 5th class sang "Wake me Up " in Irish and they also played traditional music on their instruments. 6th class performed "Nativity Nightmares". It was an open day in the school for new parents and their children inviting them to come and look around our school. Santa came and all the visiting children got a bag of sweets from him. The children who were visiting got to play with toys. It was a very happy occasion for the whole school.

By: Jack Greaney and Dan Kelliher 4th class

Swimming Lessons

We went to the Gleneagle Hotel for swimming lessons 3rd 4th and 5th class all had six lessons in total. My swimming coach was named Dieter Gogsch. We all learned different things and we had great fun. I was in the top group as were

some of my friends. We learned to play dominos and it was fun to play. On the last day we were all graded into different levels. We were very happy and afterwards we went on the slide. We all had a go and afterwards showered and went home. A few weeks later Dieter gave us our certificates and a bag of sweets. It was a great experience.

By: Charles O'Brien 4th class

Girls Football Skills Competition

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Ten teams participated from East Kerry. Our team scored forty one points to come in a very close second place. Ciara Randles won best individual on the day and will go forward to the county final on the sixth of June 2014. Go n-eirí leí.

By Ciara Randles 6th class.

Girls 7 aside football competition

We took part in the girls 7 aside football tournament on Thursday the 20th of March 2014. It was a wet cold morning when we arrived at the Dr. Crokes pitch at 9:00 am.

Our first match was on at 9:45 am against Gneeveguilla. When we all arrived we got toggled out in our jerseys and we set out onto the pitch for our warm up. Our starting panel was Áine O'Connor in goal, Ruth Courtney and Eimear Beazley (backs) Ciara Randles and Niamh Stack (midfield) and Emily Shaw and Treasa O'Sullivan (forwards).

Our first game started very well with three early points by Niamh Stack, Ciara Randles and Treasa O'Sullivan. Later on in the first half Ciara Randles

scored another two points with still no responding score from Gneeveguilla.

In the second half Treasa and Niamh got two outstanding goals. The final score was 2-9 to 0-0.

Our next game was at 11:15am against Anabla. We had another dynamic game with scores from Ciara Randles, Niamh Stack, Treasa O'Sullivan and Áine O'Connor. The final score was 5-7 to 1-1. We won our two qualifying games so we were now into the quarter finals against Knockanes.

This game was a tight competition in the first half but with goals and points from Treasa, Ciara and Niamh we pulled away with the final score line 3-2 to 0-1.

This now meant that we were into the semi final against Fossa which was on at 2 O'clock.

We knew that this was going to be a tough game. The first half was quite close with a score-line of 0-1 to 1-1 at half time. We were all exhausted going into the second half so Fossa pulled away with a final score-line of 2-2 to 0-1.

We were disappointed but extremely proud that we got to the semi final out of 21 teams, and lost narrowly to the outright winners on the day, Fossa. We had a great day and had lots of fun. We said thank you to our coaches Mr. Looney and Mrs. O'Sullivan.

By: Ciara Randles 6th class.

Engineering Day with Scott Ziglinski

On the 13th of May the whole school were very excited as the engineer Scott Ziglinski came to our school to do an engineering day with us as part of our science programme. We were learning about kinetic and potential energy. Kinetic energy is when an object is moving. Once it stops moving the kinetic energy is gone. Potential energy is the potential to make kinetic energy. The higher an object goes the more potential energy it has and therefore it can make kinetic energy. To show us



Important lessons learned
at the Fire Station

Followed by fun and
games at the Playdium in
Tralee.



Junior School Tour May 16th 2014



Boys Football Skills Team: William Shine, Peter Walsh, Ryan O'Grady and Jack Cooper



Girls Football Skill Team: Treasa O'Sullivan, Níamh Stack, Ciara Randles and Eimear Beazley. Well done to Ciara who went on to represent the school at county level.



Senior Mixed Football Cumann na mBunscoil team

potential and kinetic energy in action, Scott got us to make roller coasters out of foam tubes cut in half. We stuck these together with tape to make the tracks. We tested them using marbles. The higher the marbles were the more kinetic energy the marbles had. We did a variety of different challenges with the rollercoasters like doing loops and hills. We also had a race to see who could make their roller coasters the longest in 8 minutes. Every child in the school had a great time and learned so much. We all enjoyed ourselves and we were very grateful to Scott Ziglinski and happy that he came to show us engineering in action.

By: Alanna Sheahan and Aisling Reidy 6th class

Thanks to the Parents' Association and everybody who helped out with our school fundraisers during the year.

- Halloween dress up/mad hair day
- Personalised Christmas cards
- Street collection and carol singing
 - Christmas Raffle
 - Christmas cake sale
 - Family Fun Quiz

Green School Flag Award: We are delighted to announce that the school has been successful in its application for a Green School Flag for biodiversity. Representatives from the school collected the flag at An Taisce's Green School's Ceremony on Tuesday 21st May at in the Silver Springs Hotel, Cork.

L.E.A.F Award: On the 3rd of June, the school was presented with a L.E.A.F. award in recognition of all their work and efforts in piloting the New LEAF programme. (Learn Everything about Forests). Congratulations and well done to Ms. O'Connell and all involved.



Ciara Sheahan, Jack Greaney and Sadhbh Stack receive the school L.E.A.F. certificate award in the Wetlands Tralee with Rachel Boyle An Taisce, Kerry Co. Council.

National C.O.W Day: National C.O.W. Day takes place in June. (Cycle on Wednesday). Infants and First class will participate in a Fancy Dress Cycle around the school playground.

Sport Coaching

Míle Buíochas to all the sport coaches who coached the pupils during the year. We had football coaching, rugby coaching and this year for the first time South Kerry Juvenile Hurling Board introduced hurling coaching to the schools in the greater Killarney area.

Couch Potato to 5km

On the 19th June 6th clas will after many weeks of training, complete a 5km run in Muckross. To celebrate this achievement they will get a tour of the newly opened schoolhouse. A big thank you to Aisling Reidy's dad Denis. We look forward to a great day .



Communion Class 2014

Front Row left to right: Ali O'Donoghue, Méabh O'Sullivan Darcy, T.J. O'Sullivan, Stephen Walsh, Brian O'Sullivan and Conor O'Shea. **2nd Row Left to Right:** Clodagh Doolan, Ellen McSweeney, Clodagh Lucey, Jessica Fuller, Paul O'Donoghue, Cormac O'Donoghue, Cillian O'Connor and Daniel Murphy. **3rd Row:** Fr. Pat Horgan and Ms. Looney.

Cumann na Mbunscoil

On the 26th of May 2014 the Loreto girls took part in the 9 aside Cumann na Mbunscoil football blitz. All the 3rd, 5th and 6th class went to Spa pitch. The starting team was Áine O' Connor on the goal line and the back line was Ruth Courtney, Eimear Beazly, and Zena Shine. In the centre of the field was Ciara Randles and Treasa O'Sullivan, the forwards were Caoilinn O'Donoghue, Niamh Stack and Ailbhe Gammell and our strong subs were Isobel Mc Allen, Caoimhe Flemming, Caelyn O'Grady, Liad h Beazley, Alanna Sheahan, Aisling Reidy, Margret O'Brien, Sue O'Donoghue, Chloe Coughlan, Beatrice Klasauskaite, Niamh O'Donoghue, Sarah Reidy, Saidbh Murphy and Emily Shaw. Our first game was against Loughguittane, it took us a few minutes to get into the game but in the end we were the stronger team, the score line was 3-5 to 0-0. We had fifteen minutes of a break. Our 2nd game was against Gneeveguilla, it was an easy win, the score was 3-5 to 0-1. Our next and final game was against Knockaderry, the winners of this game would go through to the county quarter-final. It was a tough first half for us but by the end of the first half we were up by a point. The score was 0-3 to 0-2. Mrs. O' Sullivan and Mr. Looney gave us an inspirational team talk. The second half was very tough. The ball was being kicked up and down the field scoring points and goals on each side. We kept fighting for our place in the County Quarter Final. But in the end Knockaderry were the stronger and better team as the score was 1-3 to 2-4. We were very disappointed with the result but we were also very proud of ourselves for performing so well. The Captain of the Knockaderry team came into the changing rooms and thanked us for the brilliant game. The captain of our team Ciara Randles went to their dressing room and wished them all the best in the County Quarter Final. We all had a great day. We were very proud to represent our school. Up Loreto!

By: Niamh Stack and Treasa O'Sullivan 5th class.

Senior School Tour

On Monday the twenty sixth of May 4th, 5th and 6th met up at Ross Castle car park at 9:30am for the Senior School tour. We were split up into two groups 4th and 6th were together and 5th were on their own. 5th class went kayaking first and the 4th and 6th went orienteering. The instructors demonstrated what to wear and how you work the kayak. Rory the orienteering Instructor was telling the 4th and 6th how to read the maps and how to stamp the sheet. 5th class started kayaking at the front workman's rowing club shed. 5th class played a few games and had great fun. 5th then set off kayaking to Ross Castle and played a few more games there. 4th and 6th class had finished their orienteering and then we ate our lunch. After lunch swapped activities. We all had a great day. We want to thank all who helped us for making it an enjoyable experience.

The Orienteering Results were: 1st Jack Cooper and Brogan Flaherty 23:29 2nd Adam Walsh and Thomas Cronin 23:31 3rd Darragh Kelly and William Shine 24:29.

By: Chloe Coughlan and Caoilinn O' Donoghue 5th class

Junior Infant Class 2013 - 2014



Front Row Left to Right: Emma Dwyling, Roisin Brazley, Yelizaveta Malberg, Jessica O'Connor-Uchytal, Grace O'Shea.

Middle Row Left to Right: Grace Healy, Sam Ryan, Meadh Murphy, Cathal O'Donoghue.

Back Row Left to Right: Laura Healy, Paddy Moore, Jessica Leggate, Eoin Murphy, Alvon Schrauer.

Missing from Photo: David Courtney.

The Quaid Gallery, Ovens, Cork.

Many thanks to the Quaid Gallery for allowing us to use these class photos in our school magazine

Senior Infants Class 2013 - 2014



Front Row Left to Right: Rachel Fuller, Logan McSweeney, Jenny Lucey, Muiris O'Donoghue, Molly Reidy.

Middle Row Left to Right: Cillian Murphy, Michael Carey, Brickett, Fionn McCarthy, Bryan Walsh, Shane Doolan.

Back Row Left to Right: Joshua Williams, Ellen O'Grady, Nicholas Clarke, Rachel O'Sullivan Darcy, Luke Doolan.

The Quaid Gallery, Ovens, Cork.

First Class 2013 - 2014



Front Row Left to right: Lucy Keane, Siorcha Beazley, Ciara Sheahan, Sarah Cooper, Eilíe Greene, Amy Healy, Leah Clarke.
Middle Row Left to Right: Nicole Murphy, Jack Murphy, Sadhbh Stack, Zhuoyi Chen, Ella Barrett, Daniel Fleming.
Back Row Left to Right: Elizabeth Fleming, Dáine Murphy, Beth Lucey, Craig Laggate, Eilíe Francis, Tom Benson.
Missing from photo: Luke Courtney, Bryn Flaherty.

The Quaid Gallery, Ovens, Cork.

Second Class 2013 - 2014



Front Row Left to Right: Brian O'Sullivan, Ellen McSweeney, Cillian O'Connor, Méabh O'Sullivan Darcy, Paul O'Donoghue,
Ali O'Donoghue, Daniel Murphy.
Back Row Left to Right: Stephen Walsh, Clodagh Lucey, Cormac O'Donoghue, Conor O'Shea, Jessica Fuller, T.J. O'Sullivan.
Missing from photo: Clodagh Doolan.

The Quaid Gallery, Ovens, Cork.

Third Class 2013 - 2014



*Front Row Left to Right: Sue O'Donoghue, Darragh Murphy, Sarah Reidy, David O'Donoghue, Eiladh Beazley.
Middle Row Left to Right: Rian Kelly, Cillian Courtney, Scott O'Meara, Sam Benson.
Back Row Left to Right: Niamh O'Donoghue, Caelan Sheahan, Caelyn O'Grady, Conor Gammell, Beatrice Klasauskatte.*

The Quaid Gallery, Ovens, Cork.

Fourth Class 2013 - 2014



Front Row Left to Right: Charles O'Brien, Maria Dolores Monez Garcia, Jack Greaney, Roberto Carrillo Vivanco.

Back Row Left to Right: Daniel Carroll, Dan Kelliber, Peter Walsh.

The Quaid Gallery, Ovens, Cork.

Fifth Class 2013 - 2014



*Front Row Left to Right: Niamh Stack, Robert O'Shea, Caoimhe Fleming, Laurence O'Donoghue, Treasa O'Sullivan.
Middle Row Left to Right: William Shine, Paudie O'Donoghue, Ailbhe Gammell, Jack Cooper, Owen Benson.
Back Row Left to Right: Chloe Coughlan, Ryan O'Grady, Saisbh Murphy, Hugh Cremen, Caoilinn O'Donoghue.*

The Quaid Gallery, Ovens, Cork.

Sixth Class 2013 - 2014



*Front Row Left to Right: Isobel McAllen, Filip Korzec, Alanna Sheahan, Thomas Cronin, Aisling Reidy, Adam Walsh, Zena Shine.
Middle Row Left to Right: Nuria Medrano Lara, Veronica Fuster Romero, Jose Antonio Hernandez, Eimear Beazley,
Jose Carrillo Vicencos, Aine O'Connor, Donal O'Connell.
Back Row left to Right: Margaret O'Brien, Margarita Gracia Zambudio, Ruth Courtney, Ciara Randles, Emily Shaw,
Fabiola Carrion Carrillo, Lucia Carrillo Vicencos.*

The Quaid Gallery, Ovens, Cork.

2nd and 3rd class Acrostic poems

Cool

I love soccer

Loves football

Loves golf

I love pizza

Awesome

Nice

David is good at making loom bracelets

Awesome at running

Very funny

I love pizza

Dude

Super at soccer

Awesome at video games

Magic

Candy is boss

Awesome at video games

Epic

Likes to run

Amazing

Natural at basketball

Darragh likes pizza

Awesome at soccer

Riddles are cool

Runs very fast

Amazing at tennis

Great at football

Happy

2nd and 3rd class Acrostic poems

Conor is good at football

Orange is my favourite colour

Nice

Optimistic

Really likes running

Best at drawing

Excellent at baking

Amazing at making bracelets

Travels a lot

Imagination is good

Cheerful girl

Enjoys cycling

Super

Amazing

Really loves football

Awesome

Hamburgers are yummy

Super

Classic

Over night dancer

TV is great

Top eater

Loves nature

I love animals

Always cares for animals

Does whatever it takes

Happy

Racers are cool

I like soccer

Anything that's fun

Never gives up

Grandparents' Day took place in Loreto N.S during February 2014



2nd and 3rd class Acrostic poems

J is for Jessica

Excellent at horse riding

Super

Sporty

I love animals

Cute

Artistic

Kai likes to sleep

Awesome at reading

I like to play catch

The best at football

Jumps as high as the Gooch

Brilliant at soccer

Runs really fast

I am awesome

Awesome

Never gives up

E is for excellent

Likes lots of things

Loves to play with others

Everything is fun

Nothing I cannot do

C is for clever

Likes football

Outstanding at reading

Dependable

A is for awesome

Good at swimming

History is interesting

A person that is good at running

Likes to go swimming

I love my dog, Grace

Clodagh is cool

Lovely

Outstanding

Daisies are gorgeous

At home I like to play

Good at running

Happy

Super at video games

The best defender

Epic

Plays for Legion

Helps others

Everything is fun

Nothing I cannot do

My dogs are called Ben and Casey

Excellent at reading

Always nice

Best at swimming

Happy all the time

2nd and 3rd class Acrostic poems

Different

Always having fun

Nice

I love to play soccer

Every day I try my best

Listens to others

Cormac loves soccer

Out on the pitch

Runs as fast as the wind

My favourite team are Barcelona

And they are amazing

Cool

Paul is cool

Awesome at video games

Unbeatable

Loves playing soccer

Cool dude

I am epic

Loves fun

Likes soccer

I like dogs and cats

Awesome

Nice

Conor is cool

Outside I play soccer

Nice and kind

Outstanding at football

Runs really quickly

Nice

I like ice cream

Amazing

Music is cool

Horse riding is awesome

Super Sue

Unique

Excellent at baking

Cool

Amazing

Excellent

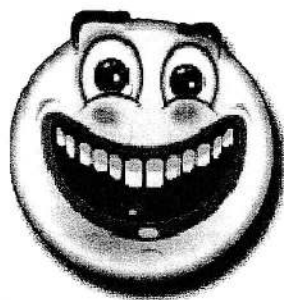
Loves football

Young girl

Nice person

Senior Infants & 1st Class

Jokes by Miss O' Reilly's Class



What is black and white and very noisy?

A zebra with a drum kit. *Dáire*

Why did the banana cross the road?

To get his peel. *Amy*

Why did the chicken cross the road?

To get some chickatees. *Ebbie Greene*

Knock knock, whose there? *Barbie*

Barbie who? Barbie-Q! *Sadhbh*

What did the cow say when she was stuck in the snow?

I'm Friesian!! *Ellie FRANCIS*

Why did the banana go to the doctor?

He wasn't peeling well. Jack

Why didn't the chicken cross the road?

Because he was too chicken. Tom

What's the difference between a teacher and chocolate?

Children like chocolate!!! Nicole

Why did the disco ball cross the road?

Because there was a disco on the other side. Ella



Why did the apple go to hospital?

Because someone bit him in the face. Zhuoyi

What do you call a blind dinosaur?

Do-you-think- he-sawr-us. Daniel

What did the tomato say to the other tomato?

Nothing.....tomatoes can't talk. Beth

What's black and white and red all over?

A sunburnt penguin. Leah

What do you call a panda that does karate?

Kung Foo Panda. Luke



Why did the king go to the dentist?

Because he needed a crown. Sorcha

What do you call a fish with no eyes?

A F_sh. Lucy

Knock knock, whose there?

Banana

Banana who?

Banana there's my nana. Bryn

What do you call a pig that does karate?

A pork chop. Craig

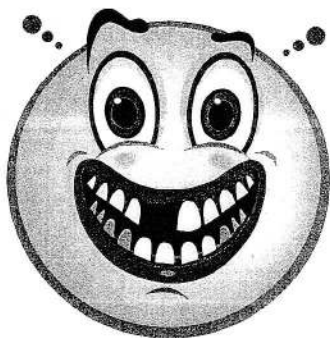
What did the blanket say to the bed?

I've got you covered. Sarah

What did one zombie say to the other zombie about his girlfriend? Where did you dig her up? Elizabeth

Why did the elephant paint himself lots of colours?

Because he wanted to hide in the crayon box. Ciara



What did the snowman have for breakfast? Molly
Snowflakes.

Why did the elf go to school? Rachel
To learn the elfabet.

Why did the cow cross the road? Jenny
He wanted to go to the moovies.

What do you get if you cross a vampire with a teacher? Ellen
A blood test.

What does a raincloud call underpants? Rachel
Thunderpants. Fuller

Why didn't the skeleton go to the party?
He had no body to go with. Glacie

What would I like to be when I grow up???

Junior Infants 2014

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams..."

Eleanor Roosevelt

a teacher Meadh a doctor Sam
a rugby player Paddy a farmer Cathal
a hairdresser Jessica a hairdresser Grace
a vet Roisín a Man. U. soccer player Eoin
a pilot Grace a water factory worker ALIZON
a doctor Yelizaveta a teacher Emma
a teacher Laura a pilot David
a shopkeeper Jessica

Believe it or not.....

Amazing facts by Senior Infants 2014

"Children have to be educated, but they also need to be left to educate themselves...."

Abbé Dimmet The Art of Thinking

6) The swan has over 25,000 feathers on its body.

By NICHOLAS CLARKE

7) About 12,000 years ago, the Sahara desert was
Not covered with millions of trees.

By JOSHUA WILLIAMS

8) Croke Park can seat 82,300 people. It is the third
largest stadium in Europe. By CILLIAN MURPHY

9) Hurricanes North of the equator spin the opposite
direction to the ones south of the equator. By

MICHAEL CAREY-Brickley

10) The most famous elephant was Jumbo.

By EOHAN MCSWEE
NEY

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Abbé Dimmet The Art of Thinking

- 1) Eating chocolate releases chemicals in the brain, that makes you happy. By Muiris O'Donoghue
- ✓ 2) Liverpool beat Newcastle 2-1. Martin Skerter scored an own goal. By Luke Doolan
- 3) Babies are born with taste buds in their cheeks.
By Bryan Walsh
- 4) The ears of a cricket are on its front legs
By Shane Doolan
- 5) Snakes smell with their tongue!
By Fionn McCarthy

Hugh O'Flaherty Art
and Literacy
Competition winner.

Primary schools
essay



My Hero, Hugh O'Flaherty

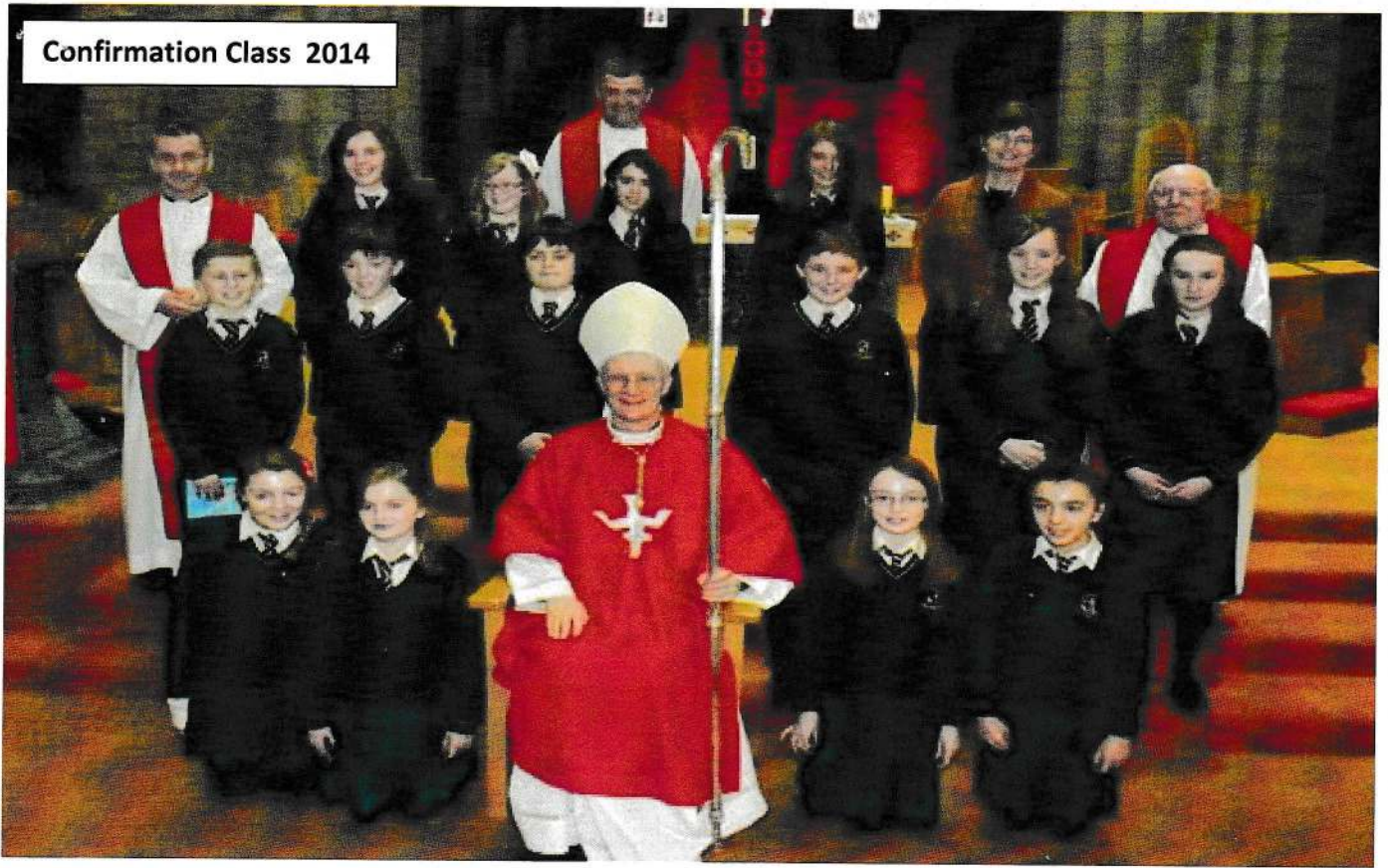
Monsignor Hugh O'Flaherty was an Irishman from County Kerry. He was born in Lisrobin in County Cork. After he was born, he and his parents moved to Killarney. Hugh O'Flaherty was a very kind and genuine man who would listen to everybody that needed him. He would listen to anybody no matter what they said or did.

Hugh O'Flaherty is my hero because of all the Jews he saved from Hitler in World War 2. He helped free about 6,500 Allied soldiers and Jews. He helped a lot of POW's to escape Hitler in World War 2 (1939-1945). He inspires me and I someday hope to be able to do lots of brilliant things like Monsignor Hugh O'Flaherty did. I personally would never want to be part of any war. It would be very hard for me to cope in the desperate conditions of that time. He was given the nickname, the Scarlet Pimpernel of the Vatican. Monsignor Hugh O'Flaherty was a very brave man in my opinion by helping free all those people in World War 2.

Proceeds of our Newsletter

Proceeds of our School Magazine will go to a very good cause – the children of Chernobyl. I am sure you have all heard of the nuclear disaster which occurred in Chernobyl on April 25th 1986. Our proceeds will go towards giving the children of Chernobyl a holiday in Killarney when they arrive to stay with their host families for the month of July.

Confirmation Class 2014



Front Row left to right: Áine O'Connor, Zena Shine, Bishop Ray Browne, Aisling Reidy and Eimear Beazley.

Second Row left to right: Thomas Cronin, Adam Walsh, Donal O'Connell, Filip Korzec, Ruth Courtney and Margaret O'Brien.

Third Row Left to right: Fr. Niall Howard, Ciara Randles, Alanna Sheahan, Isobel McAllen, Emily Shaw, Mary O'Sullivan Principal and Fr. Pat Horgan. **Fourth Row:** Fr. Kieran O'Brien.

Local History tour of Killeghy graveyard and Muckross Abbey incorporating a spring clean up.





April

National Spring clean month

Representatives from each class help pick litter!



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