



**In 4<sup>th</sup> Class** We had Science Week this month where the children got to explore many different science activities and experiments. Shamrock Rovers continued their weekly visits to our 4th classes also for football training and 'sphero ball' lessons. This month in literacy 'Procedure' was the writing genre and we devised many recipes for baking and cooking all sorts of treats such as buns, cakes, pizzas and more! The best part was when we got to actually make and eat them! On the sporting front we received the great news that there will be school GAA competitions in the new year so we have begun training during lunchtime with our many dedicated teachers for these. Our new astro turf area is now getting great use. On Mondays Ms. Doran is coaching Ms. Higgins' class and on Wednesday, Mr. Martin is coaching Ms. Kenny's and Mr. Moloney is coaching Mr. Martin's class. We look forward to improving our skills and having fun! Hopefully many of us will play for the school teams this year. November also sees the beginning of Kindness Week where students and staff will partake in a series of fun games and activities to enable us to think about being kind to one another.

**In 5<sup>th</sup> Class** we have been very busy over the last few weeks. Firstly, we had Halloween parades on yard the Friday before mid-term. Well done to all the parents who helped their children prepare their costumes, they looked fantastic.

After learning about the history of Tallaght, each class went on a walking tour of Tallaght village. On our tour we saw Tallaght Castle, the Dominican Priory, the old police barracks and St Maelruain's Church. The children found it very interesting to stand in the same places where the Battle of Tallaght took place in 1867. Their behaviour was excellent and they thoroughly enjoyed the day. Science week also took place at the start of November. Each class enjoyed trying out a different experiment for each day of the week. A particular favourite was the dancing raisins experiment. All 5<sup>th</sup> classes are now learning to play Gaelic football during lunch time once a week. So far the feedback from the kids has been very positive.

The next three weeks will include lots of Christmas activities and fun. We are excited for all the fun and activities in class

## In 6<sup>th</sup> Class this month

November was an exciting month for 6th classes. All 4 classes were kept busy with Science Week. Some of the experiments covered included 'Dancing Raisins', 'How to grow a Rainbow', Fruity Sweet Colour Mixing' and creating 'Fireworks in a glass'. Our pupils learned some fascinating facts while having fun.

There are wonderful displays on our corridors and classrooms of all the Art and Craft activities 6th class created this month. Our classes got their first chance to use our new Astro Pitch for GAA training as well as our Hurling Wall. Some of our pupils may end up as future stars on the Dublin football and hurling teams. In History the focus of learning was on the Second World War. Pupils also learned some interesting information about Germany and some even got to sample typical German food. Lecker! ( That means 'Delicious' in German.) We also celebrated Kindness Week where everyone tried to be extra nice to others. All in all the month of November was very busy for 6th class. We look forward to the month of December and to Christmas.

**Santa is on his Way!** Advent begins on Wednesday December 1<sup>st</sup> and the countdown to Christmas begins. In the Square, Santas Grotto has already signposted the most important destinations! He knows exactly where the best students are 😊

