

St. Philip the Apostle Junior School



November Newsletter 2022

Dear Children and Families of St Philip the Apostle JNS,
We hope that you had a restful mid-term break and a pleasant return to school last week. We are delighted to be back and into our second half-term of the Autumn term.



Enrolment for Junior Infants- NOW OPEN!!

St. Philip's J.N.S. invite applications for Junior Infant Classes for September 2023. You can do this by registering interest on line through our website www.stphilipsjns.ie. If you need any assistance please contact the office at (01)8212992 for more information. We look forward to meeting you and your

child 😊



Our Friendship Week

Monday 21st – Friday 25th of November



It is with great excitement that we can confirm that our annual school Friendship Week will take place next week, running from Monday 21st – Friday 25th of November. Lots of exciting activities are being planned as we speak and we will keep you posted on what promises to be a wonderful week.

Below is just a sample of some of the activities planned:

Monday: Friendship Week Launch! Drop Everything and Dance

Tuesday: Games day in class

Wednesday: Yard swap

Thursday: Pyjama day & Movie in class

Friday: Art Competition Winners announced

More Friendship Week Ideas: Circle Time, Acts of Kindness, Friendship stories, Stories of inclusion, Friendship frog!... and many more! 😊



Friendship Week Art Competition

We would like to invite the children to take part in our **Friendship Week Art Competition**. The children can create a piece of artwork – drawing, painting or model, whatever you like, based on the theme of friendship. Bring your artwork into your teacher. The closing day for entries is **Thursday 24th November**. The winners will be announced in school on **Friday 25th November** and prizes will be given in each class 😊

Danceathon Sponsorship- Thank you!

€2210 raised by you



A huge Well Done to all involved



A huge thanks to all the children who took part in the **Annual Hallowe'en Dance-athon** on Friday 28th October before the mid-term break. It was a wonderfully happy and dance-filled occasion. We would also like to sincerely thank parents and families for your strong support of the school by sponsoring the children so generously to raise much-needed funds. We are delighted to let you know that you raised a whopping **€2210** to support the purchase of costumes for the Christmas Plays. **Go raibh míle maith agaibh go léir!**

Second Class Hallowe'en Festivities

Well done and thank you to all our Second Class students led by Ms. Maye, Ms. Slattery and Ms. Brennan who shared their Hallowe'en performances with all classes and their parents. It was so wonderful to see so many families back in the school to watch the great performances. Maith sibh go léir!

Parents Association

Sincere thanks to all the parents that attended our Parents Association meeting on Tuesday 15th November. Sincere thanks to our HSCL officer Mrs. Harte for organising the meeting and welcoming so many new members. Fantastic ideas for the year ahead. We will let you all know well in advance the date and time of the next meeting. Come along and bring a friend. Tea & Coffee & Pastries for all. Everyone is welcome. WATCH THIS SPACE!

School Lunches

Many thanks to all parents who logged on to the new menu forms prior to mid-term and we hope that your child is enjoying the new lunch menu and morning snack. You can amend choice by using your unique login code and password. If you have misplaced the login please contact Fresh Today at freshtoday.ie and click on 'Forgot Password'. If you do not wish your child to avail of hot lunches, please cancel or let us know in the office and we will cancel for you as we are a Green School and want to ensure there is no wastage. If you choose not avail of hot meals please ensure your child has nutritious lunch every day.

Upcoming Events: Class Christmas Plays, First Class Assembly

Class Christmas Plays will take place the week commencing Wednesday 7th of December and we look forward to welcoming you to this very special occasion in your child's school year. We normally run a raffle in each class with €2 raffle tickets for sale so we would be delighted if you wish to take part.



| | Wed 7 th | Thurs 8 th | Fri 9 th | Mon 12 th | Tues 13 th | Wed 14 th |
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| 10.10-10.40 | Ms Scully (SI) | Ms. Igoe (SI) | Ms O Sullivan (JI) | | Ms Bourke (SI) | Ms O Halloran (JI) |
| 11.15 - 11.45 | Mrs. Rynne/Mrs. Hynes (1 st) | | Ms O Hare (SI) | | Ms Geoghegan (1 st) | Ms Moore (JI) |
| 11.50 - 12.20 | | Ms Slattery (2 nd) | | Mrs. Maye (2 nd) | Ms Brennan (2 nd) | Ms. Flavin (1 st) |

The next Assembly led by our First Class pupils will take place at 11:15 a.m. on Tuesday 20th of December. Families of all our 1st class students are welcome to attend.

With every good wish,

Ruth Molloy (Principal) & the School Team

