



KILLASHEE MULTI-DENOMINATIONAL NATIONAL SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,


What a busy month it's been at Killashee! The staff and pupils have been hard at work with Science Week, Anti-Bullying Week, and all their usual learning activities. Meanwhile, the PTA has been working tirelessly behind the scenes, putting the finishing touches on plans for the Christmas Fair. Our dedicated fundraising team for the all-weather pitch hosted a fabulous Fashion Show at the Osprey Hotel, and it was a fantastic success. The event was thoroughly enjoyed by both the school community and the wider community of Naas. A huge thank you to everyone who helped make the night so memorable!

We're so fortunate to have such a dedicated and hardworking school community—thank you all for your continued support.

Kind regards,

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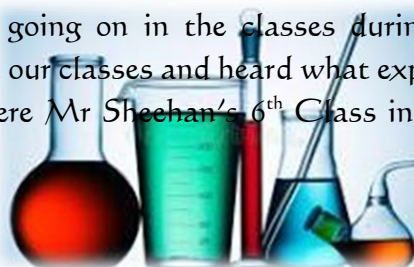
What we've been up to:



Pitch Update: Work is continuing on our pitch, we are now at the stage of installing fencing and drainage, after which the actual surface will be laid. This will mean that the children will have an additional surface to play on all year round instead of just the Summer months. We are looking forward to it being completed. We are hopeful that it will be ready when we return from our Christmas holidays and ready for use by our students. We sincerely thank all those who continue to contribute to our fundraisers to help us finance this exciting venture. We are still striving to achieve our target of €75,000 in order to repay our loan as soon as possible. It will be a great resource for all the children of Killashee both present and future.

Science Week

Huge thanks to Mr Corcoran, Ms Scully and Ms Gould for organising this. There were plenty of experimenting and hypothesising going on in the classes during the week. Thanks to Ciaran Madigan who came to visit our classes and heard what experiments we had been working on. The overall winners were Mr Sheehan's 6th Class in what was a very close contest.





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Anti-bullying Week

Anti-bullying Week also took place this month. There was lots of discussion in assembly and in classrooms about what bullying is, bystanders and up standers and what we should do when we see this behaviour. The Student Council will begin work on our new Bí Cinéalta Policy in the New Year as part of the revised anti-bullying programme for schools. It will then be rolled out to all the partners in education before the end of the year.



PTM: Parent Teacher Meetings were held the week of 18th November for Senior Infants to 6th Class. Please contact your class teacher if you were unable to attend this year to arrange a meeting. Junior Infants will be held in February. Dates will be communicated closer to the time.

Bake Sale: 5th Class hosted a bakesale on Friday 22nd November this was a fundraiser for the PTA there were lots of delicious treats available on the day. Well done to all our budding bakers in Ms Bostrom's class.



Fashion Show : A huge thank you to all of those involved behind the scene in organising the fashion show in Friday 15th November it was a great success all monies raised and will go towards paying off part of the loan on our all-weather surface.

Garda Safety Talks: 3rd to 6th Class received a visit from Garda Maureen Nerney, she talked to them about their personal safety and in particular their personal safety online.

Shoebox Appeal Update: 99 Shoeboxes were collected from the families of Killashee this month. Many more of you donated online. Well done to all those who donated a shoebox.

Legally Blonde: 6th Class enjoyed a trip to Piper's Hill College where they got to watch the dress rehearsal of Legally Blonde. We thank them for inviting us to see their production.





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Date for your diaries:

Thursday 12th December: The Christmas Fair is one of the highlights of the year for our children. Doors will open from 6-8pm. We are looking forward to seeing you all there. Sincere thanks to the PTA who are working away behind the scenes organising this event.

Wednesday 18th December: A Trip to the Moat for Junior Infants, Senior Infants and 1st Class. More details will follow in the coming weeks

Thursday 19th December: Vision Screening will be carried out by the HSE on children in Junior Infants. More information will issue to parents in this class when we receive it.

Friday 20th December: School Holidays & Senior Infants Performance. The pupils in Senior Infants are working hard on their production with Mary and Ms Scully in their drama classes. We are all very excited to see what they have in store for us. More details of times etc. to follow closer to the date.



Reminders:

Sundries: Thanks to all those who continue to pay their sundry fees. If you have any issue paying please contact the office.

Lost Property: We have a significant amount of lost property in wheel chair accessible toilet. Please come in and look if you are missing any jackets or items of uniforms. Labelling items really assists us in returning them to their owners. Any items remaining in lost property will be donated before the holidays.

Annuals: If you intend buying one of the annuals at the Christmas Fair please ensure that you pre-order it on the Eolas App. The last day for ordering is today (Monday 25th November) you can collect and pay for it on the night of the Fair.