St. Joseph's Newsletter June 2015





€58,500 PROFIT

for our Astro Turf pitch from our 'Strictly Come Dancing' event on May 29th in 'The K Club'

Huge thanks to everyone for supporting and participating in our 'Strictly Come Dancing' fundraiser. It was a great success and we are still coping with this achievement as it surpassed all our targets.

Particular thanks to the very hard-working **School Strictly Committee** comprising every member of staff some of whom were specifically mentioned on the night and afterwards. Great credit is also due to Ms. McNally Codyre for co-ordinating the Programme. Also, to Anne Halligan and Margaret Grehan for all three raffles – hours and hours were spent organising them. Also, special thanks to our **Parents' Strictly Committee** who walked and drove the streets of Kilcock and beyond begging for money for our astro-turf. – specifically Jane Ennis (Sean's Mam), Karen Kelly (Jack's Mam), Mags Murphy (Luke Maloney's Mam) and Maura Geraghty (Daniel's Mam). We could not have raised so much without your hard grafting – thanks.

DVD's will be delivered before the summer holidays.

We had a very private performance for our boys last Thursday and we actually had to do it twice as they couldn't fit into the Hall. Special thanks to DJ **Kevin** Kavanagh from **Diamond DJ's** who supplied all the lights and sound for our dancers completely *free of charge*. Should you ever need a great DJ, living in Kilcock, you can contact him at <u>087 2698521</u>.

Congratulations to Mr. Coulston and his wife Anne- Marie who have become the proud parents of baby Senan Coulston earlier this morning. May he bring lots of happiness and sleep filled nights into their home.

Sixth class Graduation Wednesday, 24th June

This is always a busy but sad time of the year as we prepare for our Graduation of our Sixth classes and prepare to say good-bye to them. They have been a particularly great year group and we are genuinely sad to have them leave us. They are well ready for second level and will do us all proud. Their big night is tomorrow week and our Parents' Council have a great party in store for them. A *letter will follow to the present Fifth Classes* who provide some food and help the PC on the night.

Classes for 2015 2016

Junior Infants: Ms. Kinsella and Ms. McNickle

Senior Infants: Ms. Butler with Ms. McNickle's Class and

Ms. Harlow/Mr. McCormack with Ms. Kinsella's class

First class: Ms. Fitzsimons
First/Second Class: Ms. Grogan

Second Class: Ms. Killackey Third Class: Ms. Farrell

Fourth Class: Ms. Shiel Nolan

Fifth Class: Mr. O'Toole (newly appointed teacher to St. Joseph's)

Sixth classes: Mr. Coulston & Mr. O'Boyle

Sports Day Friday 19th June (Note home mentioned 2 days, apologies for confusion)

Please try to come to our annual Sports Day which is always a highlight of the last term. Bring a picnic and relax on the pitch while your children will be involved in 12 different activities throughout the day. We will have our Sports Day on Friday, 19th June as part of our Active Schools Week. Each day next week we have specialised coaches in various activities including Jujitzu with Viktor's Dad, Gymnastics, Athletics, GAA and dance. Special thanks to our parents for offering these classes. We will play, and hopefully beat, our Sixth Classes in a soccer match so please stay after the Tug-o-War and watch us or even support us!

Cór na nÓg

Our Fourth and Fifth classes had their concert with a full orchestra in 'City West' on Thursday 21 May. They were truly brilliant and we, as teachers and staff, were so proud of your children. They sang sweetly and were highly complimented afterwards. The programme is a huge body of work for teachers and pupils alike. Special thanks to Bernie Shiel Nolan, Bernadine Divilly and AnneMarie Farrell who have worked so hard all year.

Moyglare Stud Farm Art Competition

We had a representative from Moyglare Stud here with us earlier this week with 3 prizewinners from our school. Maxim Menylk came first with Adjibola and Jare coming second and third respectively. They won vouchers for all their class and families who will all be invited to a 'free' day at the Races in September.

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to all our little men in Second Class who made their First Holy Communion recently. They were a credit to you and to our school. Well done to Ms. Grogan for preparing them so well.

REMINDERS

BOOK RENTAL: Please have all your son's RENTAL BOOKS ready for returning on MONDAY 22 JUNE. Celine will have them all organised for him again for September. Huge thanks to Celine for organising this huge task on her own.

Booklists and School Reports: These will be posted by end of the week and should be with you by Monday, 22 June. If not, please contact the school.

Library Books: Please return all Library Books on THURSDAY.

Dates for your Diary

** Summer Hols: Commencing at 11.50am on Fri 26th June.

School re-opens Mon, 31 AUGUST at 8.50am.

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