



Term 2 2016/17

The Knocknagin News

Issue 4

Important dates

- 16th Mar - St.Patrick's Assembly @10.45am
- 17th Mar - School Closed
- 23rd Mar - Children's Charity Day
- 1st April - P.7 Service of Commitment
- 5th April - P.4 First Confessions @6.30pm
- 5th/6th April - P.7 Residential to Woodhall
- 7th April - Family BINGO in Hall @7pm
- 13th April - Half Day - Holy Thursday
- 24th April - Term 3 begins

Confirmation



Congratulations to our P7 children who, along with our friends from St.Columb's PS, made their Confirmation on Sunday 12th March. Sincere thanks to everyone who helped out in any way to make the day special for everyone.

OUR SCHOOL DINNER MENU AND PARISH BULLETIN IS NOW AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE!

VOTE

Please 'like' your favourite pic-collages either via Twitter or through our website. Each week we put our most 'liked' on our home page. This week our Fair-trade pic-collage was the most 'liked'!

Collage of the week!



Here is our most liked Pic-Collage on Twitter this week! Follow us on @knocknagins

SCHOOL COUNCIL

BIG CHILDREN'S CHARITY DAY

On Thursday 23rd March our School Council have organised a Big Children's Charity Day. On this day we will come to school dressed in Yellow and Purple! Yellow and Purple represent the colours of two charities which have particular relevance to our school. Yellow represents The Children's Liver Disease Foundation while purple represents Epilepsy Awareness & The Daisy Garland Foundation. Each child will have a sponsor card for a 'Village Walk' and the monies collected will be split between both charities. We hope the day will be a great success and the school council will let us know how much was raised and donated in due course.

New Website

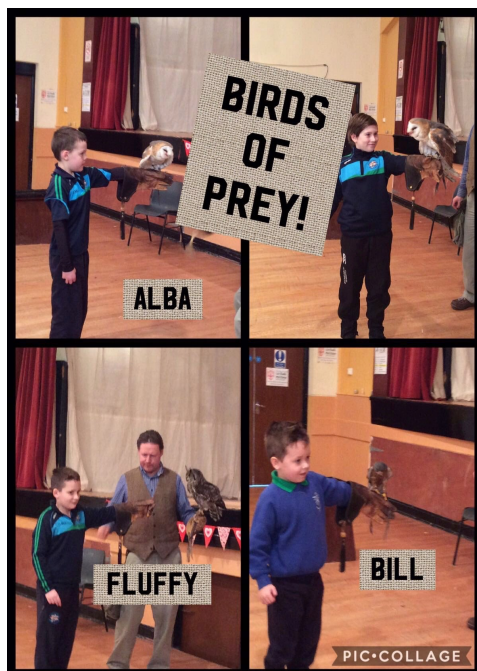


We were delighted to launch our new website at the end of January. The new platform has made it much more efficient for all our staff to upload news, pictures, videos, calendar events and notices. We hope you find it a useful way of keeping in touch with what is happening here at school. On the bottom left of our home page you can subscribe to receive an email each Friday of the week's events, news and updates.

Download the 'Schools NI' app to your phone or tablet to view our news, events, calendar etc;



PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO CHECK OUT OUR E-SAFETY PAGE IN THE PARENT AREA OF OUR WEBSITE. THERE YOU'LL FIND AGE APPROPRIATE E-SAFETY VIDEOS, TIPS, GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT.



Shared Education

Ourselves and Desertmartin PS recently teamed up and celebrated 'Animal Week'. We were lucky enough to have a visit and exhibition from 'Birds of Prey' and 'Exotic Animals'. All the children were really excited and loved the opportunity to meet such rare animals.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Our After School Clubs have been a great success so far this year. Our KS2 children are currently enjoying weekly Yoga and with Soccer, Art and Irish yet to come this year we still have lots to do. There may also be one or two additions to the timetable. Our yearly timetable is available on the website and if you have any suggestions on how to improve our provision please let us know. Our aim is to provide fun, challenging, affordable activities for all our children.



Friends of Knocknagin



The recently established Friends of Knocknagin are holding a family BINGO on Friday 7th April @7.00pm. We hope to see a large crowd there. With the funds raised we are hoping to purchase some new iPads for the children. We currently have 5 pupil iPads in school and we would like to at least double that amount to ensure we have one between two to use during lessons.

Friends of Knocknagin have a fundraising suggestion box in the entrance of our school. If you have any ideas please pop them in or contact any committee member.



Slieve Gallion Pre-School come to play!

As part of our Shared Education Signature Project with Desertmartin PS we have received funding to improve 'Community Connections' with other educational providers in our area. As the pre-school is cross community and is a feeder for both our schools we have planned an exciting programme for them. Their children will visit both our schools for 6 x learning sessions between Feb-Jun. Their children will also gain home and school access to our Education City programme.

