



A Thuismitheoirí agus a pháistí,
As we fast approach the long weekend on
Friday please take some time to read our
March newsletter.

Go Green for St. Patrick's Day

Celebrate St. Patrick's weekend this Friday
14th March by wearing GREEN! Remember
shamrocks, badges, flags and pins are great
ways to dress up an outfit. Each child is
asked to bring in €2 and all monies raised will
go towards the School Library. Kind Regards,
The Library Committee



Youth Academy NUIG

Congratulations to Óisín Finn and Liam Collins
who recently represented the school at the
NUIG Youth Academy in Galway. The Youth
Academy programme is aimed at 4th, 5th and
6th class primary school students who have
demonstrated high academic ability in
standardised test results. This is a wonderful
opportunity for primary school students to
get a taste of university life.



GAA

On Friday 28th February we welcomed
Lorraine Ryan, Captain of the Galway Senior
Camogie team to the school. Last September
Lorraine captained the Camogie girls to win
the All-Ireland against Kilkenny. Lorraine
brought the O' Duffy cup along with the Jack
McGrath cup, won by the Intermediate team,
to the school and gave the children an
inspirational talk on the commitment and
training involved in becoming an inter-county
player. We were joined by Claudia Nevin,
Secretary of the County Camogie Board and
Áine Reynolds, representing Cappataggle
Camogie Club.



Training is underway for the upcoming Mini 7's
competitions. The girls will be up first on
Wednesday next 19th March here in
Cappataggle in the Camogie blitz. This will be
followed by the boys Football on Thursday
20th March, also held in Cappataggle. The
following week the boys will be out hurling in
Moylough on Wednesday 26th March and the
girls football will be in Cappataggle on
Thursday 27th March. A reminder to all
involved to please return consent form for
publication of photographs by Cumann na
mBunscoil. We wish all of our teams and their
coaches Mrs Coen, Mrs Gilmartin and Ms
Mannion the very best of luck in these
competitions.



Green Schools - Green Flag for Biodiversity

Last Thursday we were visited by Mr. Mark Molloy, the County Council Assessor for the Green Schools. Mark advised us to return our project to An Taisce before March 21st. He was very impressed in the course of his interview with the Green Schools Committee and thanked them for their hard work. Well Done to Mrs O' Brien & all involved. During his visit Mark officially opened



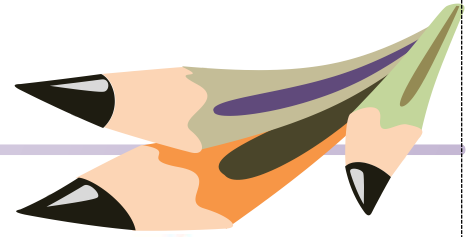
our Bug Hotel. Thanks to the Donohue family for designing our new sign.

Discover Primary Science

The children in 5th & 6th classes have been very busy over the last few weeks and months experimenting and they are now in the final stages of completing their discovery log. The log will include Greenwave signs of spring activities, science and maths experiments, reports on our visiting scientists and much more. Thanks to Brian Collins and his colleague Rachel who visited us on the 4th March and gave a very interesting talk on engineering and demonstrated a few experiments with the children. Thanks to Mrs Gilmartin and the children for all their hard work in completing this project and we wish them every success in achieving an Award of Science and Maths Excellence for the school.

Signs of Spring

Children have been busy looking for signs of spring. Thanks to Luke Garvey who spotted lots of frogspawn beside the Astroturf pitch recently. Remember to keep your eyes peeled.



Thanks to everybody who voted for Ryan Donohue in the recent Doodle 4 Google Competition and we wish Ryan the very best of luck when he attends the Prize Giving Ceremony at the Google headquarters in Dublin on Monday 24th March. Go n-éirí an t-ádh leat Ryan.

Dates for your diary...

- ✚ Thursday 13th March - School Open Evening 7pm - 8pm
- ✚ Friday 14th March - Library Fundraiser
- ✚ Monday 17th March - Bank Holiday
- ✚ Wednesday 19th March - Camogie
- ✚ Thursday 20th March - Football (boys)
- ✚ Wednesday 26th March - Hurling
- ✚ Thursday 27th March - Football (girls)
- ✚ Saturday 5th April - Aughrim Soccer 7's
- ✚ Friday 11th April - Easter Holidays 12 Noon
- ✚ School Reopens Monday 28th April
- ✚ Saturday 3rd May - Confirmation (time to be confirmed)
- ✚ Thursday 15th May 2014 - First Confession Mass 7.30pm
- ✚ Sunday 18th May 2014 - First Communion Mass 11am
- ✚ Monday 23rd June 2014 - 6th Class Graduation Mass 7.30pm
- ✚ Friday 27th June - Summer Holidays 12 Noon

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