



St. Luke's Newsletter

March 2022



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Dates for your diary!

World Book Day:

Thursday 3rd March children can dress up as their favourite book character.

Seachtaine a Gaeilge:

Monday 14th to Wednesday 16th March

Children can wear green on:

Wednesday 16th March

School closed:

Thursday 17th March & Friday 18th March

Principal's message

Dear Parents and Pupils

We thank you for all of your help and support throughout the pandemic. It has been wonderful to see the remaining restrictions being lifted. A new beginning!

As always, the generosity of the pupils of St. Luke's has come to the fore. Some pupils are already thinking of our brothers and sisters in Ukraine. A number of pupils have expressed an interest in sending some supplies to the Ukraine. We will support their kindness in any way we can.

As it is coming close to Lent and Easter, we will also give out the Trocaire boxes in the coming days. Trocaire gives hope and support to many international regions that are struggling with poverty. We thank you for your continued support for this charity.

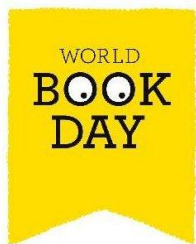
We look forward to getting back to normal. We have lots of fun activities planned over the coming weeks!

Take care

Ms Bourke



Upcoming events:



World book day

Thursday 3rd March

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The children can dress up as their favourite book characters on this day.

We are looking forward to a great day filled with fun activities.

There will also be a prize for the best dressed child in each class.



Seachtain na Gaeilge

Seachtain na Gaeilge takes place this year on the **14th-16th March**.

The children can wear green on Wed 16th for our school Céilí.

Speak Irish to us!

Labhair Gaeilge Linn!

Spring has sprung in St. Luke's

Our daffodils have begun to appear. Please remember not to pull daffodils. When you pull them out in a hurry you can damage the bulb and the daffodil will not regrow.

Let them stay where they are, so that everyone can enjoy them.

School garden

The staff and students in St. Luke's have been getting our garden ready for Spring.

We will soon be busy planting, composting and building in our garden to attract a range of native plants and animals.

We have a **new compost bin** and **flower beds** and we plan to **use a wormery to help us turn food scraps into compost for the garden**. The children will have an opportunity to feed and turn the worms every week. We also hope to build an outdoor classroom so that we can learn while surrounded by nature.

Did you know?

We have installed a **mobile weather station** beside the school gate.



This gathers weather data from our school and sends it directly to MET EIREANN. It records temperature, wind speed and directions, rainfall and humidity.

We can view all this data and get the weather forecast on **WOW.MET.IE**



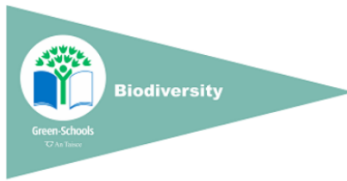
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Woodies Budding Gardeners Competition

Many of our classes have signed up the Woodies Budding Gardeners Competition, so we expect to see some beautiful flowers in the school garden very soon.

We are so excited for Spring!



Green Schools Committee

Our Green Schools Committee is a **collection of students from 1st -6th class**. The Committee works together to make our school a cleaner, greener and more environmentally friendly space for staff and students.

The students continue to work hard maintaining our four Green school flags- **Litter and Waste, Water, Energy and Travel**.

Green School Flag: Biodiversity

We are currently in a 2 year cycle of activities to obtain our next Green School Flag: Biodiversity.

We will soon be surveying our school community about their knowledge of biodiversity.



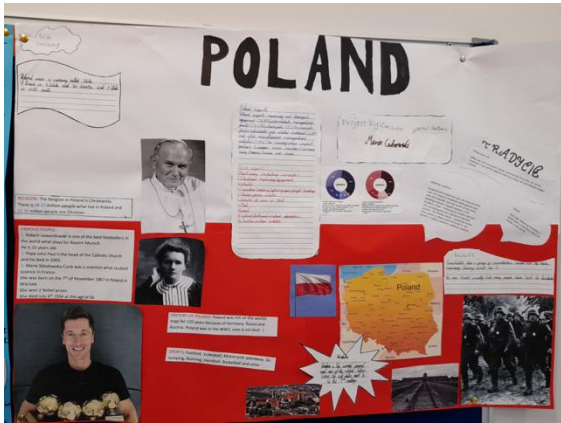
Geography



Every class in St. Luke's from Junior Infants to 6th class study two countries each year; one European country and one wider world country.

This year we have been so impressed with how the children have represented their learning.

Have a look at their fantastic work!





Emergency Contact: Parents/Guardians Details

If you have **changed your telephone number** or **moved house** please remember to let us know as it is vital that we have emergency contact details for all children.

Also, if you are **not receiving text messages**, please contact our secretary, to rectify this.

