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A BUSY YEAR SO FAR...MORE TO COME...

It is hard to believe that the Easter Holidays are nearly here! I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and interest in St Gabriel's NS.

We have had such a busy time since Christmas! I would like to thank you all for the generous contributions in sponsorship for our Green Walk! The Junior Infants in particular raised a lot so please extend our gratitude to those who showed their support! As a thank you we had a raffle for each class and on Friday we will raff off an Easter Hamper kindly donated to us from Glanmore Foods who supply us with our school lunches. Every child in the school will be automatically entered in the draw!!



Huge congratulations to Ms Whyte on her new position as Deputy Principal of St Gabriel's NS. I look forward to working with her and we all wish her every success in the role.

Have a lovely Easter break!

Kind regards,

Suzanne Comerford (Principal)

SPORTING TIMES



We have had a very sporting time here over the past few months. The children from 3rd to 6th class attended **Swimming Lessons** in the **National Aquatic Centre**. Our **Dance classes**, taught by well known choreographer **Bernie O' Rourke** took place for all classes and were thoroughly enjoyed by all. **Bohemians F.C.** have continued to work with the children from 3rd to 6th on 'The More than A Club Project' which delivers numeracy lessons alongside soccer skills development. Some of the children were fortunate enough to get to visit **Dalymount Stadium** for a tour and children and their

parents got free tickets for the Bohemians V Derry City Match which was an exciting experience! The Senior children have been training hard for events such as **Cross Country**, **FAI Soccer Blitz** and the **Lord Mayors Cup** under the watchful eyes of Mr Donnelly and Ms Sweetman!

A variety of Afterschool Clubs ranging from Art & Craft to Card Games to Kickboxing have been taking place on Wednesdays. Doodle Den also continues for Senior Infants. All children are to wear their tracksuits every **Monday** from the **29th April** as they will be participating in **GAA training** with coaches from **St Brendan's GAA club** which will be a lovely start back after the break!

SPORTS DAY 2019

Sports Day this year will take place on May 23rd, weather permitting. Further details to follow

UPCOMING CLOSURES

- School will close at 12.00pm on Friday April 12th for our Easter Holidays and will reopen on Monday April 29th at 8.50am.
- May Bank Holiday Monday May 6th
- European and Local Election: Friday May 24th
- June Bank Holiday: Friday 31st May and Monday 3rd June
- End of Year closure: Friday 28th June at 12 noon.

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Just a reminder that Vivienne, the **school secretary** is only available in the office on the following days:

- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday



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BACK TO SCHOOL FOR THE EASTER CHICKS!

We had a very exciting time last week when a number of baby chicks hatched in **Ms Walsh's class**!! Some of the children are heading off to the **RTE studios** today to be interviewed about the wonderful experience!

The chicks are heading off to begin a new life in Mayo and we wish them well!!

Junior and Senior Infants went to the **Sean O Casey Theatre** on April 1st to see a show called '**Return of Spring**'. They were filmed by **RTE** at the end as they sang with the actors and may appear on a National Lottery piece so watch out for that!!

The children really enjoyed taking part in '**One World Week**' and '**Seachtain na Gaeilge**'. Their enthusiasm and enjoyment makes all the hard work put in by our staff pay off!

We are very proud of our children who made their **Confirmation** in **March** and look forward to the **Communion** on **May 13th** in **Aughrim Street Church**. The Choir are working hard to prepare for this.

The launch of the '**Stories between Us**' exhibition takes place on **May 8th** in **Collin's Barracks**. As well as attending this **Ms Sweetman's class** will also be attending mass in **Arbour Hill** with none other than the **President, Michael D Higgins**, so exciting times ahead.

