

FEBRUARY 2012 NEWSLETTER

NEWSLETTER VIA E-MAIL

There are now 89 people receiving the C.B.S. Primary School monthly newsletter via e-mail. We'd like to see that figure continue to grow over the next few months. If you'd like to supply us with an e-mail address please complete the form on the second page of the newsletter.

COLLECTION OF RECYCABLE MATERIALS

We are continuing to promote the recycling of certain materials-batteries, computer printer ink cartridges and mobile phones. Our aim is to collect 300 phones which will be forwarded to the Jack & Jill Foundation. In return we will receive an interactive whiteboard. I would be delighted to get your support in helping us to reach our target by checking with family, friends and work colleagues if they have unwanted mobile phones.

REMINDER OF SACRAMENTAL DATES

2nd class

First Confession-Thursday 22nd March 2012-Bride Street Church-7.30 p.m.

First Communion-Sunday 27th May 2012-Bride Street Church-12.15 p.m.

All family members are invited to the school for refreshments after the First Communion ceremony.

6th Class

Confirmation- Saturday 12th May 2012-Rowe Street Church-11 a.m.

-Sunday 13th May 2012-Bride Street Church-12 noon.

The boys can choose their day. Saturday's ceremony will be shared with the Mercy School and Sunday's with the St. John of God School.

SWIMMING LESSONS

The boys in Br. Kinsella's 4th class are near the end of their block of swimming lessons. Just two lessons left. However, the boys in Ms. Cleary's 2nd class have eight more lessons to look forward to! Our two 3rd classes, Ms. Casey's and Ms. Murphy's, will commence their 10 sessions on Wednesday 29th February. Further information will be forwarded to the parents of these boys on our return from the Mid-Term Break.

MID TERM BREAK

School will be closed for a full week, Monday 13th – Friday 17th February. School will re-open on Monday 20th February.

WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day will take place on Thursday 1st March. We will mark the day, which celebrates the joy of reading, by holding a variety of events in the school.

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS BELL

This June, Ireland will host the Eucharistic Congress for the first time since 1932. Two of our senior classes attended the Congress Bell Ceremony in Bride Street Church last month. We were delighted that the members of our school choir were asked to enhance the ceremony with their singing. The photo shows our choir boys and the students from Our Lady of Fatima School, who also sang on the day.



PHOTOCOPYING & ART

You are aware that we request a contribution of €20 per pupil each year to assist with the costs associated with photocopying and the purchase of art materials. €12 from each contribution is used for photocopying costs with the remainder assisting with the provision of materials for use in the Art Room.

€1,410 has been spent on paper and photocopying in the first five months. The income to date is €1,900. That leaves a balance that would pay for approximately two months out of the five left in this school year.

The spend on art materials amounts to €1,036 and €1,220 was collected. That leaves just under €200 to spend in the next five months.

If you haven't paid the €20 contribution you will receive a reminder letter after the Mid Term Break. I respectfully ask that the expense of paying for photocopying and art materials would be shared by all families.

ATTENDANCE

The attendance figure for January was 95.5%. This is in line with the figure for three of the previous four months (average 95.5%). However, the December figure (92.9%) brings down our school year to-date attendance rate to 94.9%.

