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Scúlchaint



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Message from the Principal

Dia daoibh a chairde,

I hope that all of the school community of Scoil Chros tSeáin have recovered from the effects of Storm Ophelia. I trust that everyone has their power and water back at this stage and hope that there was no structural damage done to your home. Here in the school we were fortunate to escape any real damage. As you may be aware we carried out tree surgery to a large number of trees in early Spring and again during the Summer break. In hindsight the removal and cutting back of the various trees near the school buildings has proved beneficial. While obviously Ophelia caused much inconvenience as a result of its sheer strength, and with many households being without power and water it definitely lent its self to a fantastic response by many in our community. I've heard many stories from the boys about how people helped them during the days following the storm. The old Irish phrase comes to mind "Ar scáth a chéile a mhaireann na daoine" which literally translates to "We live in each other's shadows" meaning we rely on each other for shelter. It is evident that help was offered in abundance during these testing times and showed once more the great community spirit that exists in Crosshaven.

I can't believe how fast this half-term has gone! May I wish everyone a very happy Hallowe'en (with the comforts of electricity and water)! Enjoy reading this edition of Scúlchaint in the warmth of your home. Now who is up for some trick or treating? Óíche Shamhna Shona daoibh go léir.
Colm



Sciath na Scol

In September, boys from 4th, 5th and 6th started the Sciath na Scol football with high expectations after winning it last year, with coaches Mr Lyons, Mr Ashman, Mr Hanevy and new coach Mr O'Mahony. The boys started their campaign with a great victory over Bandon in a friendly. The next game was another friendly against Ringaskiddy which the players and subs performed brilliantly and won. Our first league game was against Scoil Íosagáin. Farranree was a tough match but the lads put in a great effort and came out on top again. In a new cup called the McGrath cup, Crosshaven played St. Anthony's but unfortunately Crosshaven lost in a tough battle. The next league game was a comfortable win for us against Middleton CBS. In the next game Cobh had lost all their games so gave us the points. In the last league game we had another win against Passage which secured us a home semi-final. In the semi we gave a great performance to win against St Patrick's of Gardiner's Hill. All members of the panel played their part in getting us back to a final for the second year running. Best of luck to all involved

Fionn Mansfield & Rhys Kelly Noonan (6th Class)



Conker Comp 2017

When going to print, our annual conker competition was well underway for 1st to 6th class boys. On the first day everyone was excited but nervous to see who they were going to take on. When everyone was ready Mr Lyons started counting down from 10 to 1. Junior and Senior Infants watched on as the first shots of the Conker Comp were taken. The numbers kept dropping as the rounds went on and on. The winner will have their name engraved on the plaque in the school building. Currently we are down to our last 8 boys who are still in the competition. They will play in the quarter final. Best of luck to all remaining boys. Check out our website for lots more photos.

Sam Coveney & Rory Deane (5th Class)



Autumn Art in 2nd Class



3rd Class Hockey Lessons



Ladies from Cork Harlequins Hockey Club train the boys in 3rd and 4th class. They are learning lots of skills such as first touch, hitting, dragging, passing and reversing.



5th Class Projects



Egypt

This term the boys completed projects on a country of their choice. They worked independently at home and in school and should be very proud of their achievements.



South Africa



Japan

Tech Kids

3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th class are very lucky to be taking part in an 8 week computer course called Tech Kids. Every boy is given a laptop and can practice and learn lots of fun and new computer skills.



Hedgehog Facts

Hedgehogs are small animals with round spikes. They roll into a ball to protect themselves from danger. They eat slugs and beetles. They hibernate from November until March.



*Andrew, Theo, Conor,
Max (1st Class)*

6th Class Visit to Lifetime Lab



6th Class visited Lifetime Lab on Friday 13th October. We learned lots about pulleys, magnets and gravity. Una, our teacher for the day shows us lots of interesting things and we even made our own vehicles with magnets and pulley systems.

Rowan McSweeney & James Young (6th Class)

Senior Infants - Fine Motor Experts



In Senior Infants the boys take part in "Finger Gym" once a week. This is a workout for the fingers which is proving very beneficial in developing the boys' fine motor skills.



Welcome to our new Junior Infants

