



St. Brigid's Primary School

Haddington Road

Principal's Bulletin

February 2014

Upcoming Events:

March 6th: Cor Fheile na Scoileanna (1st-6th classes).



March 6th: World Book Day.

March 7th: Visit of Liz Weir (storyteller and author).



March 10th: Talk on Internet Safety (5th and 6th classes), by John Wills from Barnardos.

March 14th: Green Day (see below).

March 17th: School closed for St Patrick's Day.

LauraLynn Fundraising continues:

We are planning a Green Day for March 14th. Everybody is asked to dress in green and we

will have a ceili!

Each child is asked to donate

€2 if possible,

with all money going to LauraLynn.



Change of date for Sports Day:

Our Annual Sports Day in Herbert Park will be held on **Friday, June 6th** (not on May 23rd). We have had to change the date as the Local and European Elections are scheduled for May 23rd.

Remember that the school calendar is available from the office. The calendar and an Event Calendar are both on our website.

Update on the Planning Application for our new school building:

Our planning application was submitted to Dublin City Council in November and received approval in January. However, we now have to wait as an appeal against the development has been lodged with An Bord Pleanala. It is likely

that this appeal will mean a considerable delay on the project.

In the meantime, applications for enrolment continue to grow and the Department of Education has asked us to try to take in an additional class of Junior Infants in September. At the moment, we are having a feasibility report prepared to establish our options for the location of prefabs.

School Expenses and Book Rental

Thank you for your support of the school through your payment of your child's expenses fee. This fee covers book rental for your child, in addition to stationery, photocopied material, arts & crafts supplies, homework journal (1st-



6th classes) and book bag (for Infants).

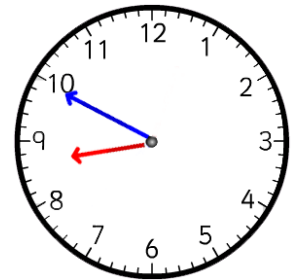
If we did not have a book rental scheme, the costs of each child's school books would be considerably more each year than it is currently. We have built up a good supply of books and work hard to keep costs down each year.

We do not charge a 'voluntary contribution' as many schools do. Therefore it is really important that everybody pays the single expenses fee so we can continue to provide what the children need.

Opening / Closing

Times:

Please note that the school opens to receive pupils at 8.50am each day. The school and Board of Management cannot accept



responsibility for pupils arriving before that time. We are very pleased that so many of our pupils arrive to school on time and ready to start lessons at 9,00am. Children who arrive after this time are missing an important part of the day.

School finishes at 2.30pm each day (1.30pm for Junior and Senior Infants). The school and BOM cannot accept responsibility for looking after children after these times. Only children enrolled in After School Activities should be here after 2.30pm.

Safe Parking:

We have received a number of complaints about dangerous parking on St Mary's Road.



Parking on the cones, parking on the double yellow lines or double parking is dangerous and puts children at risk. The local Gardai have advised us that they will be making spot checks in the next few weeks.

Congratulations to Ms Shanahan on the birth of her second son, Luke. who arrived safely on February 19th.

