

# Nun's Cross News

April 2021





It is hard to believe that we have reached the end of another month already. April has gone by quickly but that doesn't mean the children haven't been working hard in this short time! The school is filled with beautiful displays of all the children's work and we have finished it on a very high and energetic Active Week. Many thanks to our Active Committee and the staff for organising wonderful events which all the children have thoroughly enjoyed!



#### Easter

The end of March saw the school filled with lots of beautiful Easter art as the whole school learned about the Easter story. 4th class delivered a wonderful drama of the Easter story which was enjoyed by all classes!



#### Green Schools

Our caretaker Michael has been very busy supporting our Green-Schools initiative by building us a new flower bed. We were able to use a fallen tree to create the border and fence around the flower bed. We look forward to planting lots of new plants in this space.



<u>Easter</u> <u>Egg</u> <u>Hunt</u>

The last day of term was filled with huge excitement as each class patiently awaited their turn to go out into the garden to do their easter egg hunt. Each child found their clue and in turn got to take home an Easter egg of their very own. Huge thanks to our wonderful PTA for organising this event!

## World Earth Day

We celebrated world Earth Day this year with a variety of different activities in each class. From planting flowers and vegetables, reading stories about our planet, learning about a variety of conservation efforts to art projects and making promises to keep the earth safe. We hope that all the learning from this special day will help or children to go forward and

make a positive difference to our planet!









#### Church Announcements

#### **RE-OPENING OF CHURCHES**

Word is awaited as regards the re-opening of churches for public worship. It is anticipated that this will form part of An Taoiseach's address later this week. The current expectation is that re-opening will take place in the second half of May with regular services being limited to fifty people and funerals remaining restricted to twenty-five attendees.

#### PENTECOST VIGIL

Killiskey Parish is organising a Pentecost Vigil which will be posted on YouTube on Saturday 22nd May. The service will be recorded in Nun's Cross church and will include hymns, readings and prayers related to the coming of the Holy Spirit. You can view the parish YouTube channel by searching for Nun's Cross Killiskey Parish.

The PTA were delighted to organise a fun Easter egg hunt for all the children in Nun's Cross. Particularly after the period of remote learning, it came as a very welcome and deserved reward for all the kids!



We are very busy behind the scenes working on a fundraising project for the summer term! We can't wait to share our plans with you and hope that you will be just as excited as we are!

#### <u>Dates For</u> Your Diary

May 10th-14th - Well-being week

Your Diary

May 3<sup>rd</sup> - Bank holiday - May school closed

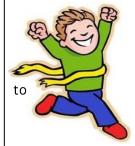
#### School Website

Nun's Cross are currently accepting enrolments for the next academic year and enrolment forms can be found on our website — <a href="https://www.nunscross.ie">www.nunscross.ie</a>
Don't forget to keep an eye on the blog for the latest updates and pictures from school!

# Active Week Special



Having missed our Active week last year, this year's events are even more special and the kids have had a week jam packed with activities thanks to our Active Committee!



#### **Monday**

The junior end of the school were woken up with a fantastic wake and shake brought to them by members of the Active Committee.

The whole school took part in a variety of relay-style races — from a normal relay an egg and spoon, 3 legged races and wheel barrow races. So much fun was had! Each class also took part in tug of war competitions and the strength in the kids when they want to win a competition is second to none!











#### <u>Tuesday</u>

We were delighted to welcome Aidan from Leinster Rugby back to our school for a day's coaching! A big thanks to Aidan for giving up his day for us!







#### **Wednesday**

We started our Wednesday off on a very healthy note, with healthy breakfasts in school. A huge thanks to Maija Tweeddale for all her work in putting the tutorials together to help with this! This gave us the energy we needed to take part in Ms Pearse's high energy workout session! Many thanks to FSM Gym and Sugarloaf Gymnastics for their help with the workout station! The Junior end of the school then

went on a big adventure to the GAA grounds for a football tournament which was greatly enjoyed by all. Many thanks to Sinead and John Paul Downey and Vicky and Brian Coen for all their help with organising the pitch for us. Wednesday finished with a highlight for the our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class as they got to challenge the teachers in a dodgeball match. Unfortunately for them, the teachers were really on form and they took the winning title — better luck next year guys!























#### **Thursday**



The junior end of the school were woken up with another fantastic wake and shake brought to them by members of the Active Committee. Following this each class in the junior end took part in the very first Nun's Cross Grand National! We received a message of encouragement from Katie Walsh, Irish Grand National Winner — many thanks to her for taking the time to send the message to the

children. A very impressive jumping course was set up by Arthur Sheane and we are extremely grateful to him and Cooley Farm for the provision of the super equipment for this event! The senior end of the school had their day out in the GAA pitch where each class was divided into teams for a football

tournament.























### **Friday**



The senior end of the school had their day out at the grand national today and there was seriously impressive jumps taken by many of the competitors! Our Active week finished on a very colourful colour run, which each class took part in. During the run they were covered in coloured powder — it was a super! Well done to each and every student for all their energy and for everything they took part in this week! They all showed great sportsmanship and the week was filled

with so much positive energy! We can't wait to see what next year brings!















