



# Nun's Cross News

October 2020



It's hard to believe that we are at the end of the first half term already. We have had a very productive half term filled with settling in to new routines, getting our running club and committees back up and running, welcoming back our sports coaches and celebrating maths week. Sadly, the end of this half term means we are saying goodbye to Ms Heaphy who has been an outstanding support to, not only myself, but the entire school community. We wish her all the very best in her new school. I am delighted to announce that Ms Turner has secured a permanent teaching position here with us in Nun's Cross and we look forward to working with her for many years to come. Ms Gráinne Ní Chuinn will be taking over in 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class and we are looking forward to making her feel welcome in Nun's Cross. I would like to wish you all a restful and safe Halloween break and look forward to welcoming you all back to school on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November.

Ms Ward

## Student Council

Students in 3rd class put the student council committee through their paces with their very impressive applications to join the council. The student council said 'We have a very difficult task as the applications are all really good and it is clear that the boys and girls in 3rd class have put a lot of work into making them'. Congratulations to all the children for showing such enthusiasm and sharing many wonderful suggestions on changes they would like to see in school! A well deserved congratulations to Louisa, Sam and Molly who were elected to the student council.



We were delighted to be able to find a way to welcome back our weekly assemblies, even if it needs to be a bit different at the moment! We are gathering outdoors when weather permits and if weather isn't on our side, via a zoom meeting. The children love being able to see each other, share bible stories and messages, sing hymns and join together with Rev Rue for a prayer. Times might be different but we still have a lot to be grateful for!



All classes are excited to be taking part in a GAA training day this coming Thursday. The senior classes will be training down in the GAA grounds in Ashford village and the junior end of the school will train in the school grounds. Kevin, our GAA coach, will be on hand to help out for the day and many thanks to the Coen family for helping to organise the days events also. All children are asked to wear suitable sports gear and bring plenty to drink!



### Killiskey Parish Services

Services have gone back online and mostly take place via Zoom. You can find details on the parish website [www.nuncrosschurch.ie](http://www.nuncrosschurch.ie) and on the Facebook page which is [www.facebook.com/KilliskeyParish](http://www.facebook.com/KilliskeyParish)

### All Saints' Day

On Sunday 1, All Saints' Day, we will remember relatives and friends who have died. If you would like someone remembered, please email Revd Ken Rue at [kenrue@gmail.com](mailto:kenrue@gmail.com)

### Defibrillator Installed



We are very proud to have recently had a defibrillator machine installed at the main entrance to the school. This was a joint fundraising effort of the PTA, the Table Tennis Club and Nun's Cross Church. The machine is available for school and community use, if the need arises. It is in a locked box, beside the main entrance to the school, for security. To gain access in the event of a cardiac emergency **please dial 999** and follow the instructions of the operator.

### Dates For Your Diary

- Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> – School Dress Up And Disco Day.  
School closes at normal time (1:50/2:50)
- Oct 26<sup>th</sup> – Oct 30<sup>th</sup> - Midterm
- Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> – Back to school
- Nov 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> – Science week



### PTA News

- Thanks to all the parents who supported the **costume sale** by donating and buying. It raised an amazing **€131** which will go towards new GAA posts for the school.
- We will also be hosting a spooktacular dress-up day this Friday, 23rd October. It promises to be a fun-filled day with prizes for the best costumes, dance party and a very special virtual guest, DJ Dave. We would ask for a small donation of €3 per child. Collection pots will be available in school however, we would ask, where possible, that donations are made via the following PayPal link: <https://paypal.me/pools/c/8trmp1qNXg>

\*please note that students should not bring in accessories or masks as part of their costumes. Please keep costumes friendly!

The PTA are always open to any new fundraising ideas, so should you have any, please feel free to contact us at [pta@nuncross.ie](mailto:pta@nuncross.ie).

Please remember to contact your child's teacher directly if you have a concern about your child. All teachers' email addresses are the teacher's name followed by [@nuncross.ie](mailto:@nuncross.ie)

For updates on individual classes and the latest activities in school, don't forget to regularly check our blog on [www.nuncross.ie](http://www.nuncross.ie) and keep up to date with the PTA on the private Nun's Cross PTA Facebook page

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