



## Guardian Angels' NS Newsletter – May 2021

### Active School Week

We want to say a big thank you to all our parents and guardians for their amazing support of Active School Week 2021 – for the garden obstacle courses, the football drills, family walks and bike rides. For the scooting, dog walks, roller skating and hikes. It was incredible to see our pupils having so much fun taking part in so many activities outside school.

Thank you to Dublin Fire Brigade, our GAA coach Johnny Magee, Ross Molony and Jonathan Sharkey of Leinster Rugby and all our teachers for setting extra challenges. During Active School Week we continued our usual in-school activities like PE, cycling, Run a K a Day, the 10@10 and Drop Everything and Dance. For GANS staff, the highlight of the week was the incredible whole-school performance of Footloose. If you haven't seen it yet, you can watch it [here](#)!

During the week, we also challenged every class to complete three Energiser Challenges including Run Around Ireland and Active Dance. Active homework replaced written homework and there were extra yoga classes, playground games and a tug of war.

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete our survey and offer their feedback on the PE curriculum and various activities offered at Guardian Angels. An overview of the survey results can be viewed [here](#).



### Second Active School Flag awarded to GANS

We are absolutely delighted to have been awarded our second Active Flag! This is a huge achievement for GANS and the entire school worked so hard to win it. Special thanks must go to Ms Harten and Ms Holst, who co-ordinate all our many Active School activities and manage to make it so varied and fun. We will continue to promote physical activity in the school every day, and strongly encourage all our pupils to achieve at least 60 minutes of physical activity every day.

### Garden transformation

Congratulations to Second Class for utterly transforming the raised beds by the school's main gates. It was no easy task and they worked really hard together to turn the neglected beds into a stunning flower display. Because the ground was so rocky, they improvised and used compostable flower boxes to create a beautiful, bright and colourful welcome for everyone.



### Book competition

National Book Tokens has launched a competition to win €5,000 in book tokens. This could transform our library so if you have a moment to nominate GANS, we would very much appreciate it. Click [here](#) to enter and also be in with a chance to win a €120 book voucher for yourself.



**WIN €5,000**

of National Book Tokens for your school library

### Voluntary contribution

The Board of Management wishes to thank everyone who has made a voluntary contribution. If anyone would still like to make a donation, please know that donations are absolutely voluntary and are dealt with in confidence. The suggested contribution level remains the same as it was in previous years, **€90 per child**, capped at **€150 per family**. Contributions can be made by electronic transfer using IBAN IE17BOFI90102831197395. The BIC is BOFIE2D, if needed.

### June bank holiday

Just a reminder that the school will be closed from Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June to Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June (inclusive) and will re-open on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>. Our 2021/22 school calendar will be available soon, but just to note that we will return from the summer break on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> August.