GUARDIAN ANGELS'NS



Parent Teacher Association Newsletter April/May 2022

NEWS ROUND UP & UPDATES

Thanks - A huge thanks to all of the parents and the children for their continued generous support of the victims of the Ukraine Crisis. We are pleased to welcome a number of new pupils to GANS from Ukraine.

Easter Raffle - a huge thanks to Amy Mangan for arranging the Easter raffle as well as to the many parents and businesses that contributed. A total of €1,709 was raised, with half of the total going to the Irish Red Cross in support of Ukraine.



Stradbrook Traffic Warden - After initial contact with the local council, some of the parents carried out a survey to determine the volume and type of traffic at the junction at the opening and closing times for GANS, as well as the number of adults and children crossing at both the lights and at the road nearby. The PTA would also like to thank all of the parents who completed the survey that was sent out - the results of both surveys will be shared with the council as part of our efforts to have a traffic warden reinstated at the junction of Stradbrook Road and Newtownpark Avenue.

Feeder Schools Update - based on the results of the feeder school survey, GANS has contacted Loreto Abbey Dalkey, Loreto College Foxrock and CBC Monkstown to request a status as a feeder school. We will keep you updated on the progress in discussions.

Standardised Testing - note that standardised testing in English and Maths was completed this week from Senior Infants upwards.

Eid Mubarak to everyone who celebrated on 1-2 May!

Well done to all of the pupils who so successfully represented the school recently with wins in GAA and soccer as well as ongoing hockey and athletics participation.

UPCOMING PTA EVENTS:

School Uniform Swap - on the back of the very successful swap during the year, the PTA will host another uniform swap day during the week of 13th June.

Final Fundraiser - the final fundraiser of the year is likely to have volunteers packing bags in Dunnes Stores Cornelscourt in June. Details to follow.

Interactive whiteboards - two interactive whiteboards have been purchased for the school using proceeds from fundraisers over the last two years so a huge thanks again to everyone for your ongoing support.

Photos - photos will take place on 25th May. There will be individual photos for both infants' classes (and photos including siblings) as well as group photos for all other classes.

Active Week will begin on Monday 23rd May

REMINDERS

- Please be reminded that all Guardian Angels' pupils should wear High Vis Vests and helmets when cycling and scooting into school. The car park is a Church car park and is not owned by the School.
- Parents can communicate with the class teacher through the homework journal on Aladdin or by leaving a message with the school secretary.
- Don't forget to look at the <u>school website</u> and the <u>school twitter</u> to see creative artwork and school activities.
- All current and past PTA newsletters can be viewed on the <u>GANS website.</u>
- Your PTA members for 2022 are: Sunia Bringi, Yvonne Lohan, Anne-Marie Carroll, Mark Byrne, Jennifer Inglis, Padraig Thompson, David Pasley, Elaine Curran, Oonagh Sweeney, Maria Grishin, Iva Bedzula, Amy Mangan & Kevin Burn.

IMPORTANT DATES

June Bank Holiday & additional days off - school will be closed on June 3rd, 6th and 7th.

Delphi Trip - 30th May to 2nd June **Fun day** - 15th June

Sports Day - 16th June (1st - 3rd classes), 17th June (4th - 6th classes), 23rd June (JI, SI) **2022/23 term** will begin on Tuesday 30th August

Important <u>School Calenda</u>r dates - <u>http://www.guardianangels.ie/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/School-calendar-2021-22.pdf</u>