



# SCOIL BHRÍDE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### School year 2011-2012

Class divisions for next year will be made known to parents during the last week with the booklists for 2011-2012. Included with the booklist will be the child's class, their room and the teacher which they will have next year. These classes are of mixed ability and are devised taking into account academic and social factors. Reports will be sent out at the end of June/early July. Please send in a stamped addressed envelope for these reports.

### Standardised Tests

Standardised tests were administered by the SEN team at the end of May. Senior Infants completed the MIST test and First and Second class completed the Sigma and Micra-T. Results of the Sigma and Micra-T will be sent home with the end of year reports.

### Competition Time

Scoil Bhríde had lots of reasons to celebrate this year with many pupils doing us proud and winning awards in various competitions throughout the year.

Comhghairdeas do Tiernan McGlynn. Bhí sé sa chéad cúigeoir i gcómortás Cómhra na Gaeilge. Comhghairdeas freisin do na daltaí eile a ghlac pháirt sa chómortas Fleadh Ceoil.

A big congratulations to Méabh Hynes, Lloyd Waangechi and Aoife Fahey who all received awards for their excellent handwriting in the INTO handwriting competition.

Finally congratulations to all second class who took part in the Write a Book competition. We have some very talented authors and illustrators in our school

**Everybody keep up the good work 😊**



**Fleadh Cheoil Winners**



**Write a Book**



**Winners of the INTO Handwriting Competition**

### School Fundraisers

This year Scoil Bhríde participated in a fund-raiser for two very worthwhile causes; the Pakistani flood fund and the Billy Murphy Memorial Fund. We were delighted to help these worthwhile causes and the fundraiser was a big success.

Congratulations to the brave teachers and parents who took the plunge out of a plane for Scoil Bhríde. This event was a huge success. Many thanks to members of the Parents' Association and the chairperson Willie Forde.

A big thank you for all the support shown to Scoil Bhríde.



**Raza Butt, Ms. Gavin & Mr. Duffy**



**Michelle Murphy, Abigail Murphy, Ms. Gavin & Mr. Duffy**

# Parents Newsletter - Issue 1, June 2011

## First Holy Communion

Our First Holy Communion took place on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2011. Congratulations to all the boys and girls who celebrated their Communion on this special day. It was a great day and a very special occasion for the school. A special thanks to all the parents who were involved in planning and celebrating the ceremonies throughout the year.



**First Holy Communion Class 2011**

## Extra-curricular activities

A wide variety of extra-curricular activities were provided to the pupils this year. Football, soccer, music, french, and dance were provided to the different class levels. These extra-curricular activities were a great success and we hope to continue them next year. Many thanks to the teachers who volunteered their spare time to provide these activities in the school.

## Sports Day

Sports day took place on the 27<sup>th</sup> May 2011. Congratulations to all the athletes. It was a great sporting day. A huge thanks also to the Parents' Association for the provision of medals to all students.

## Welcome to new students

Scoil Bhríde recently welcomed 3 new classes of Junior Infants to an exciting afternoon. We welcome all these children and look forward to their addition in the coming year.

## In-Class learning Support

This year was the first year for the In-Class Learning Support. It involved the Learning Support teachers coming into the classroom and teaching English and Maths with the class teacher at a differentiated level to a smaller group of pupils. We found that this method of In-Class Learning Support was much more effective than the withdrawal method and we hope to continue it next year.

## Sporting Achievements

Congratulations to Ms. Kearney and the boys and girls who participated in the Offaly athletics Championship in Tullamore on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2011.

A big congratulations also to Ms. McDonnell who was the only player in Offaly to be chosen from all the county football teams in Ireland for a 'Team of the League'. It was a huge achievement and we are very proud of her.



## Morning lines for 2011-2012

We would like to remind you that supervision is not provided on the yard for children arriving early for school. Children should arrive on time and line up with their class at the appropriate line. When the school bell rings at 8:50am, parents should move to the side near the exit and teachers will walk with their pupils in an orderly line into the appropriate building. As no provision can be made for supervision or insurance of children outside of school hours children should not be brought to school early on wet mornings.



## School Tours

Over the past few weeks school tours have been taking place for the different class levels. The autistic units had a great day out at Glendear park. Junior Infants explored the delights of Lullymore while Senior Infants also visited the animals at Glendear park. Finally First and Second Class explored the Tayto Park in Co. Meath. The Parents' Association covered the cost of the buses so many thanks to them for their contribution. It is much appreciated.



## Have a happy and safe Summer

We wish everybody a happy and safe Summer and we look forward to another exciting year at Scoil Bhríde. School reopens on Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:50am.