

Lucan East NEWS

19th June 2024

A look back at May ...

**LUCAN EAST
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Here are some of the activities that happened in March in the school:

Active Schools Week: We had a great week during our Active Schools Week. All classes were involved in a number of different activities i.e.:

- athletics with Will & Tony (parents from the school)
- soccer with Cristian Magerusan from Bray Wanderers
- basketball with students from Kishoge CC
- obstacle courses
- athletics
- dodgeball
- school walk

A huge thank you to Níall, Ben and Deirdre for organising a great week for all of the students and to Cristian, Will and Tony for making it extra special.

6th Class Cake Sale: Our 6th class students were busy baking and selling during the week of the 13th May and raised an incredible €1419.75 for the Irish Cancer Society and for the 6th class graduation. We are very proud of all of their efforts and it was an event that was enjoyed hugely by the whole school community. Maith sibh rang a sé!

DreamSpace Ambassadors Graduation: On 16th May, our Dreamspace Ambassadors attended their graduation ceremony at which they gained the highest award - a platinum award! What an achievement and what a great day they had. Comhghairdeas libh.

Green Flag Award: On 21st May, some members of our Green School's Committee attended an award ceremony in DCU to receive our Green Flag for litter and waste. A lot of work went into achieving this and we are delighted that Lucan East ETNS were successful. Well done to the Green School's Committee and the general student body for all of their hard work.

Santry Athletics Competition: On 21st May some of the children attended the schools athletics in Santry. They competed in the relays, sprints, shot put, high jump and long jump - 2 finals - boys and girls under 14 relays. 2 pupils got medals for their Race of Champions

Crazy Hair Day: Our Student Council organised a Crazy Hair Day on 24th May for the students. The children had great fun and came in with some really interesting and creative hair styles! It was a lovely day for the whole school.

Visiting students from Czech Republic: A group of students from the Czech Republic, who were in Ireland on Erasmus, visited Lucan East ETNS on 24th May. On this day they organised and ran music, sports, art and language activities for both of our 2nd classes. It was a great experience for all involved and we are hoping they will visit again.

Other activities that continued through the month of May:

- **Say Yes to Languages:** 3rd and 4th classes continued their French lessons.
- **Table Tennis:** Matches continued throughout May and the children involved are loving it.
- **Football:** Our girls' and boy' teams continued in the local football tournament and they represented our school brilliantly throughout. The boys made it to the semi-final which was a huge achievement. Well done to all involved!
- **Swimming Lessons:** 2nd class continued their swimming lessons in Clondalkin Leisure Centre.



EVENTS

First Days of School 2024/25:
Senior Infants - 6th classes will start school on 29th August 2024.

We cannot wait to welcome our new Junior Infants on 30th August 2024.

A look back at June...

Intercultural Day: On 7th June we celebrated our annual Intercultural Day in Lucan East ETNS. It was a day filled with fun, food, dance and laughter, which was enjoyed by all involved. A huge thank you to:

- Kanwar from Shamrock Bhangra who did dancing lessons with the children
- The parents who made and served delicious foods from their countries &
- Niall our HSCL for organising a fabulous day for our school community.

School Tours: All of our classes had a fantastic time on their school tours in the month of June:

- Kenya & Wales Classes went to Clonfert
- Junior and Senior Infants went to Pudding Hill
- 1st Class went to the Zoo
- 2nd Class went to Emerald Park
- 3rd Class went to Causey Farm
- 4th Class went to the Astro Park
- 5th Class went to Croke Park & the Chocolate Factory
- 6th Class went to Blessington

Gaelbhratach Award Ceremony: On 11th June members of our Coiste Gaeilge went to Offaly with Níall the Gaeilge Co-ordinator to receive a flag as an award for all of the work the school has done on Irish this year. It is an honour to receive this award and shows the effort that goes into Gaeilge in our school. Míle buíochas to Níall, the Coiste Gaeilge and our whole student body for all of their hard work in this area.

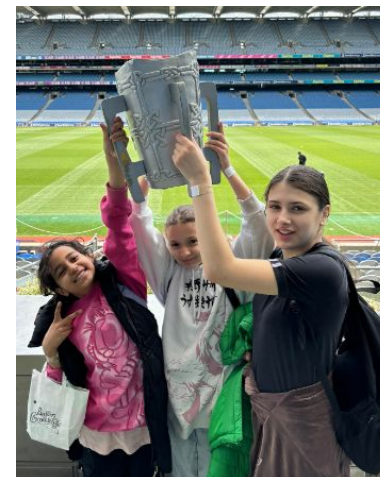
Flag Raising Ceremony: On 18th June we had a flag raising ceremony to celebrate the whole school's massive achievements in being awarded the Amber Flag for our work on promoting positive mental health, a new Gaelbhratach and a new Green Schools Flag. Comhghairdeas gach duine!

Baby Chicks in Lucan East ETNS: On Monday 17th June we had a lovely surprise in 5th class - 6 baby chicks hatched from their eggs that had been in an incubator for 3 weeks. This was a lovely project to have running in the school and we're looking forward to doing it again next year.

Sports Day: Tomorrow we will be having our annual sports day. Our PE team have an action filled day planned for the children. Some of the activities they will be doing include water races, the parachute, dodgeball, table tennis, tug of war, unihoc etc.

Graduation: Our 6th classes - Fiji and Finland Classes - will be graduating next Tuesday 25th. We are so proud of these fantastic students and wish them the very best of luck as they start this new chapter in their lives.

We hope all families in the school have a relaxing, safe and happy break over the summer and we look forward to seeing you all on 29th August '24, Best wishes, Gráinne



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