

Lucan East NEWS

2nd December 2024

A look back at November...

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It has been a great start to the school year here in Lucan East ETNS. Here's some of what has been happening in the school so far ...

Science Week: We celebrated Science Week in the school from 11th to 15th November. The children participated in the SFI Science Shows online. We had a Science Experiment Competition, workshops with STEAM Academy and every class was busy doing experiments and activities during the week. There was a great buzz about Science in the school, thanks to the teachers and pupils enthusiastic participation.

After School Clubs: This term's after-school clubs started in November. We have Chromebooks & Kahoot; Yoga; Make a Movie/Film Study; Chromebooks; Football; Athletics; Sport; Lego; Drama; and Art & Games. It's great to have these available to our students, thanks to our teachers' dedication. Watch out for the release of our new round of clubs in January.

Other outside groups who run after school activities in Lucan East ETNS include:

- Catherine Casey School of Dance (Ballet, Jazz and Acro classes) from age 3 up
ccaseyschoolofdance@gmail.com/087 6122113
- STEAM Academy coding and robotics after school club for kids aged 4 and up info@steamacademy.pro
- Zumba for adults on Wednesdays @ 7 pm and Thursdays @ 7.30 pm nurlina.zumbafitness@gmail.com
- Shamrock Bhangra - Bhangra folk dance of Punjab dance classes - Saturday mornings. Contact Kanwar on 0857211995

Dreamspace Ambassadors: Our 12 student Dreamspace Ambassadors attended training in November to learn more about micro:bits. We are hoping these little leaders will help to extend our students learning about micro:bits throughout the school.

Parent Teacher Meetings: Our Parent Teacher Meetings for all classes from Senior Infants to 6th class took place on Tues. 19th and Weds. 20th November. It was great to see parents around the school, meeting with teachers and getting a chance to talk about their child's education.

Junior Infants for Sept. 2025: Our closing date for the first round of applications for our new Junior Infants for Sept 2025 was Wednesday 20th November. If your child has a sibling in Lucan East ETNS at present and does not receive an offer of a place by 4th December please contact the school straight away. We are still accepting Junior Infant applications on our website. We cannot wait to meet our new Junior Infants in June 2025.

Table Tennis: One of our teachers, Conor, runs table tennis in the school. Table tennis training started in November and the boys and girls did extremely well in their matches so far. We wish them the very best of luck this year and are excited to hear about their progress.

Basketball training: We are thrilled to have Sophia, a professional basketball player from the Dublin Lions basketball team, training our pupils in all classes from 3rd - 6th. Sophia started these sessions on 26th November and they will continue once a week every week until 17th December.

Peace Walk: Members of our Student Council participated in a Peace Walk with other local primary schools on 20th November to mark World Children's Day. This was an important event for our students to take part in and it meant a lot to them.





REMINDER: Parents/Guardians, Please remember that children should be not left unattended before 8.30 am in the morning.

Staff supervision begins at 8.30 am and children are not insured to be on the premises unsupervised before this.

What's happening?

Now we're into December and here are some of the activities that will be happening in the school this month:

Winter Shows: All classes will be doing a Winter Show at the end of this month. All shows will take place on Thursday 19th December. These are the **approximate** times for shows and they may change slightly before this date. We will let you know asap if times change:

9-9.30: Junior and Senior Infants

9.45-10.30: 1st and 2nd Classes

11-11.45: 3rd and 4th Classes

12-12.45: 5th and 6th Classes

Junior Entrepreneur Programme: 6th class are currently preparing their presentations for the Junior Entrepreneur Programme. This is a fantastic initiative that our students always love participating in. Once the business plan has been chosen and launched we will let the school community know.

Green school: Our new green school committee has been formed and we are busy with our meetings. We are working towards our next green flag, which is the flag for energy. We will be launching our switch it off campaign next week. Let's try to switch the lights off around the house when we don't need them.

Peace Proms: Some students from our senior classes are taking part in Peace Proms again this year. Their first rehearsal is tomorrow in the National Indoor Arena and the official performance will take place in February. A huge MÍLE BUÍOCHAS to Margaret and Carol for teaching and bringing the children. It's a fantastic experience for all involved.

Family Involvement Programme (FIP): If anyone wants to get involved in our Family Involvement Programme for 2nd, 3rd and 4th classes every Wednesday in January please email Niall at hscl@lucaneastet.ie to get a Garda Vetting form.



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