



# NEWSLETTER

# St Ronan's National School

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Welcome to the May edition of the school newsletter.

# **School Books for 2017/18**

Every child has received both halves of the booklist for September 2017.

It is important that books and supplies are paid for in full as soon as possible. Parents who do not pay for the book rental will be obliged to purchase all books at full cost from a book shop.

If your child has not given you part 1 or 2 of the book list please contact the school for a copy.

## **Burren Trip**

The annual hillwalking weekend took place in the Burren Co. Clare last weekend. A group of ten fifth and sixth class students and five teachers went.

They walked around the Lough Avalla loop on Friday. Friday evening they stayed at the Burren Outdoor Education centre where they were entertained for the night.

On Saturday morning the group went to the Cliffs of Moher and visited the visitor' centre and walked along the cliffs.

The weather was on side and meant the group were able to stop off at Lehinch beach for icecream and a paddle. All teachers and students had a fantastic weekend.





Above: 5<sup>th</sup> class students visited UCD as part of the Make Maths Better programme. Sponsored by *Xylinx*.

# **Table Tennis**

#### End of Year Results

Division 1 boys had a great tournament and were up against some challenging teams in the Leinster Schools League. Congratulations to Cuong Nguyen, Johnny Boy Mc Donagh, Alex Tang and Ijaz Jimmy.

Division 1 Girls faced very tough competition and finished the league in third place. They also finished the Leinster School's Cup final in runner up position. Well done to Ruth Goodhead, Jumoke Susan, Goodness Madu and Kafayat Adewale.

There was great success for the division two boys team in the Leinster Schools league and they finished in first position after fighting off some tough competition. Well done to Tommy Balogun, Nathan Adewale, Thanh Nguyen, Timmy Kazeeem and John Adebisi.

The division two girls team finished in runner up position to our past pupils in Deansrath. Well done to Chimampkam Williams, Martha Camara, Rebecca Mahan and Elizabeth Adeyamo.

We are very proud of the success and achievements of our table tennis teams this year.

#### **Santry Results**

On Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> of May, St. Ronan's participated in Santry Athletics. As always, the behaviour of all the students was impeccable and each child ran marvellously. It was easy to say that the pupils have done our school proud!

The U14 girls relay team finished first and brought home a fabulous cup which is beautifully displayed in our trophy cabinet. The relay runners were Jumoke Sosan, Ruth Goodhead, Esther Borokini, Gladys Kumba and Chimamkpam Williams as the sub.

The U14 boys relay team finished third. On that terrific team we had Hamid Mogaji, Michael McDonagh, Peter Fodor, Dimitru Ostaf and Abdi Mooge as sub.

The U12 girls relay team also finished third. We have Goodness Madu, Taylor Byrne, Chloe McDonagh, Stephanie Afonso on that team, and Abigail Maughan as the sub.

We also had two spectacular sprinters who performed extremely well in their races. 11-year old Goodness Madu came first in the U12 sprinting race and 12-year old Jumoke Sosan came second in the U14 sprinting race.

#### **Junior Infants**



Junior Infants have been learning about under the sea and have completed lots of art, which can be seen on the school website.

They are on their school tour today – look out for photographs of all the fun next week!

#### **Green Schools**



On Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 3 representatives from our school (Jumoke, Goodness and John) went with Ms. Higgins to the Helix to an award ceremony where we were awarded our 5<sup>th</sup> flag (for biodiversity)!

We are planning to have a day in June when we will raise the flag and celebrate this great achievement.

Well done to our brilliant committee and to everyone who worked so hard for this.

#### **Cross Country**

We had 50 children from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> class proudly representing our school in Corkagh Park on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> of May at the finals of the South Dublin Cross Country Racing Series. Their behaviour was exemplary and they ran really well.

Peter in 6<sup>th</sup> class had a brilliant 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish in his race. We had five representatives in the Champion's League (this is a race for children who finished in first place in the earlier races in the series). They were Kayleigh & Chloe from 5<sup>th</sup> class, and Mary, Sandra & Dubem from 3<sup>rd</sup> class, all of whom ran great races.

## **First Class**

First class planted some peas in a gutter pipe and they have now been transferred to the garden. The children are enjoying growing food and learning at the same time. We look forward to having some photos in the next newsletter.

They are off on their school tour to the zoo on Friday June 9<sup>th</sup>.