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NUACHTLITIR do SHEACHTAIN na LEABHAR / BOOK WEEK NEWSLETTER 21ú – 25ú DEIREADH-FÓMHAIR 2013

Fáilte chuig Book Week 2013. We have some wonderful activities planned for the children during the forthcoming week, aimed at providing a valuable opportunity to promote reading among our pupils.



Over the course of the week we will welcome a selection of poets and authors to the school, including award-winning novelist Marita Conlon McKenna, who will be meeting with the senior classes to discuss her work as an author. Poet and author Enda Coyle-Greene will be holding poetry workshops with the sixth classes, author Patricia O'Reilly will also visit 6th class, while graphic novelist Alan Nolan will be working with the fourth classes. Third class pupils have already visited Dundrum Library to meet author Debbie Thomas.

Along with numerous activities taking place during school, we encourage parents to continue to foster a love for reading at home too. Pupils will be given the opportunity to work on Book Week homework, which will include competitions such as 'Dress up as a Character', 'Make a Model', 'Book in a Box', 'Get Caught Reading' and a 'Book Week poster'. These are wonderful opportunities for pupils to showcase their creativity while illustrating some of their favourite authors/characters/stories etc. Then on Wednesday our friends from the parish will join us at 10.30 for a cup of tea and a chat.

The overall aim of Book Week is to encourage the children to read and develop in them a love of books and reading. You, the parents/guardians can help in this regard, by reading with your child and by helping them in their choice of reading material.

Looking forward to a fantastic week ahead!

Book Week Committee: Ms. Dolan Ms. McKernan Ms. Ryan Mrs. Doyle Mr. Fitzgerald

BOOK FAIR TIMETABLE

As part of Book Week, we have our traditional Book Fair and this year, we have decided to run with **only one** Book Fair in October (so none in May this year). We're also trying out a new Book Fair - The Celtic Travelling Book Company - and we get 50% of all proceeds, which helps us provide lovely prizes for Book Week as well as stocking up our class libraries. Have a look at the Book Fair timetable below and thanks as always for your great support of the Book Fair! – Ms. McDonnell

	Tuesday, 22nd	Wednesday, 23rd	Thursday, 24th
08.50 – 10.30	Classes as Normal	Classes as Normal	Classes as Normal
10.30 – 10.40	SOS	SOS	SOS
11.00 – 11.20	Ms. Rafter	10.30 Club	Ms. McDonagh
11.30 – 11.50	Mr. Fitzgerald		Ms. McGuinness
12.00 - 12.20	Mr. Maguire		Ms. Ryan
			Pupils last chance to buy
12.30 – 1.00	LÓN	LÓN	LÓN
1.10 – 1.30	Ms. McKernan	Mr. Coughlan	
1.40 - 2.00	Ms. Carey	Ms. Dolan	
2.10 – 2.30	Ms. Clifford	Ms. O'Leary	

CAKE SALE TOMORROW!



Looking forward to a great Cake Sale tomorrow and if you have any leftover 50c, then why not buy a raffle ticket? Thanks to one of our parents – Kieran Barry – we have 4 tickets for **Disney on Ice** in Citywest and 2 tickets for **WWE Live** in the O2 Arena to give away. Both shows are on Thursday 7th November. So why not join our raffle and see can you win a great night out for you and your family? Tickets: 50 cent each or 3 for €1. All proceeds from the Cake Sale & Raffle go towards increasing our internet speed and subsidising school visits, trips and excursions. Have fun baking!

– Ms. McDonagh

	Rang 3	Rang 4	Rang 5	Rang 6
Mon 21st			Marita Conlon McKenna @ 11 a.m. Halla	Marita Conlon McKenna @ 11 a.m. Halla
Tues 22nd	Dress-Up as a Character @9.a.m - Halla			B.C.S. Musical @ 11
Weds 23rd		Dress-Up as a Character @9.a.m Halla	B.C.S. Musical @ 11	Enda Coyle-Greene Storytelling element in poetry
	10:30 Club in Halla. Grand-children to join club at 10:45 to chat and accompany guests to Book Fair.	10:30 Club in Halla. Grandchildren to join club at 10:45 to chat and accompany guests to Book Fair.	10:30 Club in Halla. Grandchildren to join club at 10:45 to chat and accompany guests to Book Fair.	10:30 Club in Halla. Pupils to join club at 10:45 to chat and accompany guests to Book Fair.
Thurs 24th		Alan Nolan- Graphic Novelist		
Fri 25th	Junior Prize-Giving 11-12		Senior Prize-Giving 1-2	

*Rang 3 Author Visit Oct 14th in Dundrum Library. Debbie Thomas, Author of "Dead Hairy"
Book Week Reminders

1. Friday 18th - Book Week art display in Halla. Each teacher will have a section in the hall for their pupils' work. (to be displayed at eye level) Laminated signs for headings should all be in the Book Week folders, if any are missing, just ask!
2. Each pupil will have their book mark and one other piece of art on display. (choice from Book Cover, Sketch-a-Scene, Comic Strip)
3. Make a Model/ "Book in a Box" due in Monday 21st for display in the Hall. (optional)
4. Poster Competition for Book Week. Could be done in-class or homework- one prize per class. Due on Monday 14th. (Parents can help) (optional)
5. Get Caught Reading-prize per class. Photos due Monday 21st. (optional)
6. P.E. will be cancelled during Book Week as the hall will be in use throughout the week.
7. The 10:30 Club will take place on Wednesday the 23rd. Along with the Parishioners; pupils' grandparents will be welcome to join us. This year, guests are welcome to recite a favourite poem if they wish.
8. Maths and Gaeilge to go ahead each day with Book Week activities commencing after break.
9. No learning support classes after 10:30- L.S. teachers to plan by local arrangement with their standard regarding in-class Book Week activities during the week. Suggestions might be:
 - poetry recitation
 - helping with quiz
 - judging soap-box
 - story per standard with each child contributing a sentence while L.S. teacher records it.
 - Story-telling
10. Due to budget constraints, prizes are limited to 12 books per class for the Friday prize-giving.
11. Ms. McDonnell will circulate Book Fair timetable for Tues/Weds.