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Farewell! We will Miss You!

Mr. Fitzgerald has dedicated 45 years to the boys of Edenderry as a teacher and as principal. He has inspired generations of children in many ways. We thank Mr. Fitzgerald for the knowledge and enjoyment of learning which he has instilled in the boys of Edenderry over the years. He has made our school a happy place which we all love coming to every day. He has dedicated himself to the development of the school in so many ways and many generations to come will benefit from this. He will be greatly missed by both staff and pupils!

We wish Mr. Fitzgerald many years of health and happiness!

Congratulations to Miss McMahon who has been appointed as our new principal!

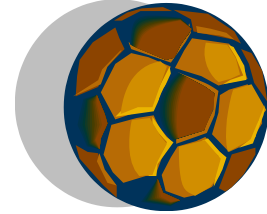


Competition Time!

This year the boys have competed in many competitions up and down the country and have had fantastic success in many areas. They have really done us very proud! Well done boys and we look forward to continued success in 2012/2013!

Soccer

2012 has been another successful year for Scoil Muire Bannrion soccer panels with both teams winning Offaly titles. Our 5th and 6th class team represented Offaly in the Mid Leinster Finals in Portlaoise and performed admirably on the day. Congratulations to all involved!



Africa Week Athletics

On Thursday 24th May twenty four boys from third to sixth class travelled to Tullamore to represent our school in an athletics event. The boys performed excellently on the day. Our 3rd and 4th class team won their competition while our 5th and 6th class team came 2nd in their competition. In honour of Kip Keino, a two time Olympic winner, a steeplechase was run over 900m and Robert Kirsch from our school won it with an incredible performance. Well done to all the boys from the various schools who took part on the day.



Hurling Report

2012 once again proved to be a hugely successful year for the school hurling panel in Edenderry BNS. Having taken the decision to hurl in a higher division than the previous three years, the boys went back training in the first week of February in a bid to get themselves up to the level required to compete against some very strong schools. To the panel's eternal credit they trained in all sorts of conditions and at all times put in 100% effort. This hard work paid off when in the first round of the championship the panel travelled to Clara and put in a fantastic display to comprehensively defeat the hosts and set themselves up for a concerted effort at getting to the county final. The second round was a home game against Killeigh and yet another comfortable victory was recorded meaning a victory in the third round against Gaelscoil Tullamore would qualify us for the final which in itself would have been a remarkable achievement. Gaelscoil were duly dispatched in ruthless fashion and our fourth county final in a row was on the horizon.

To prepare for this game the panel travelled to Kilkenny to take on St. Patrick's De La Salle in a challenge match which was hosted by Kilkenny Senior Hurling Manager

Brian Cody, Kilkenny Senior Hurling Captain Eoin Larkin and Edenderry native Killian McGlynn. The game itself was a tight affair with defenses to the fore but Edenderry BNS came out on top 2-1 to 1-3. It was a thoroughly enjoyable day and a day the hurlers will never forget. Unfortunately the county final didn't go as planned and we were beaten by a very strong Ballinamere team in Clara. However it really was a fantastic achievement to get to the final considering the standard of opposition in our group and hopefully this year's final defeat will spur the lads on to bigger and better things in 2013. Well done to all members of the panel on their terrific effort during the year and we would like to wish all the hurlers who are in 6th class the very best of luck as they make the transition into secondary school.



An Comórtas Comhra

Comhghairdeas do Adam Ó hAgluain a ghlac pháirt sa chomórtas comhra den Fleadh Cheoil a bhí ar siúl i gCóláiste na Sionnaine, Beann Char. Ghlac Adam páirt sa fé-13 den chomórtas. Déirigh leis dul ar aghaidh go dtí an chéad babhta eile den chomórtas a bheidh ar siúl i mí Iúil. Comhghairdeas do na páistí eile a ghlac pháirt sa chomórtas freisin.



Leinster Champions!

Congratulations to Liam Farrell and Lee Pearson who won stunning gold medals in the Leinster Athletics finals in Navan this month. Both boys beat off stiff competition and came first in 60m sprint and long jump. Both boys will go on to compete in the All Ireland finals in Cork later this month. Good luck!



Railway Children Production

M & M Theatre Productions visited our school last month with the production of the Railway children. The boys were enthralled by their compelling story, and spectacular sets. M & M Theatre are to visit our school next year with the well known children's



production of Oliver Twist.

Specialist Teachers

Edenderry's Keith McGuinness shared his skills and knowledge of football with all classes for a number of weeks once again this term. We would like to thank Keith for sharing his knowledge and skills with us. And also for his time spent training the boys. We hope to see him again next year.

Defibrillator

The Mark Heffernan Trust donated a defibrillator to our school this term. Pictured at the presentation from left to right are Peter Brady, Mark Cronin, Seán Fitzgerald, Louise Mangan and Martina Harris.



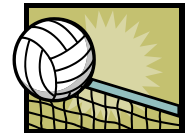
Louise and Martina raised funds for the Mark Heffernan Trust by having a Coffee Day and by completing the Womens Mini Marathon.

5 staff members received training in how to use the equipment this month.

School Fundraisers



All classes participated in the 5 hour 'Sports Marathon'. All the boys participated in a wide range of sports including gaelic football, basketball, soccer, athletics, and uni-hoc. This marathon raised money for our school sports fund. Congratulations to Martin Keogh who raised the most amount of money and received a sports jersey of his choice for his efforts. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those involved in organising the marathon. Also a huge well done to all the boys involved in raising money. You can view photos from the sports marathon on our school website.



Féile Peil na nÓg



On Wednesday 16th May the organising committee of Féile Peil na nÓg came to the school. Pat Quill, President of the Ladies Gaelic Football

Association, Eddie Kenny, Edenderry GAA President and Barry Doran of Bus Eireann were also in attendance. They spoke to the boys about the upcoming feile event. Barry Doran presented our joint football captains Jack Brady and Cian Farrell with a gear bag containing some sports equipment, while Eddie Kenny presented them with a football.

Mathletics Medal Winner

Congratulations to Sai Jagili who took part in World Science Day on 8th March. Sai came first place in Ireland in the 8-10 division! This is a fantastic achievement! Well done Sai!



Awards



The annual awards day always proves to be an exciting day of the year and this year was no exception. Choosing the award winners was extremely tough as there were many boys in each class who's efforts and achievements this year deserve to be acknowledged. Prizes were awarded for 'pupil of the year' and 'most improved/best effort'. Sporting achievements were also acknowledged and rewarded. Congratulations to this years winners!



Pupil of the year

Miss Flaherty's (2nd)
Miss Dolan's (2nd)
Miss Tyrrell (3rd)
Mrs. Bannons (3rd)
Mrs. Bannons (4th)
Mr. Ryan's (4th)
Mrs. Martin (5th)
Mr. Sheehy (5th)
Mr. Foran (5th)
Miss. McMahon (6th)
Miss Blain (6th)
Best footballer

Michael Brady
Mareks Kudars
Thomas Mangan
Sean McMahon
Scott Mannion
Alan Harte
Adam Hanlon
Conor Ward
Thomas McNamara
Adao Barai Dafe
Kacper Miniszewski
Cian Farrell

Most improved/Best Effort

Mimi Goloba
Jordan Judge
Klaidas Kotkis
Ryan Dobos
Barry Cullen
John Kennedy
Ryan McCreanor
Jack Staunton
Seamus O'Grady
Shane O'Neill

Best Hurler	Ryan O' Neill
Best Soccer Player	Gary Farrell
Special Award	Jack Conlan
Betty Lambe Athlete of the year	Shane Cummins
Overall Pupil of the year	Jack Brady

School Tours

This year all classes explored thrilling and exciting activities on their school tours.

2nd class had a memorable day at the Tayto Park.

3rd and 4th class explored the excitement that Lilliput had to offer!

5th class had an action packed fun filled day at Croke Park and The Aquatics Centre.

While 6th class explored the sports and challenges that Avon Rí Adventure Park in Blessington had to offer. They topped the day off by going to the cinema.



Sports Day

On Tuesday, 12th June we held our annual sports day event. The boys did not let a few rain showers spoil their day and everyone entered into the sporting spirit of the day. Congratulations to all who participated in the various events!

Mrs. O Neill also held an 'Ice cream' day for Down Syndrome Ireland.



Communion Class of 2012

This year 31 children received their Holy Communion on 26th May 2012. This was a very special day for the school. A great day was had by all! We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents and teachers involved in preparing the children for the 'Do this in Memory' masses which were held throughout the year!



Class of 2012

Congratulations to the 6th class boys who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on 28th April 2012. It was a very special, spiritual and enjoyable occasion.

The graduation mass for 6th class will take place on Thursday 21st June. All the staff of Scoil Muire Bannrion would like to take this opportunity to wish all the 6th class boys all the best for the future. They will be missed greatly!



School year 2012-2013

Scoil Muire Bannrion will reopen on 3rd September for the coming school year. A copy of all booklists can be downloaded from our school website.

School website and Twitter!

Check out our fantastic website for updates on school events, pictures and news at www.edenderrybns.ie

School policies can also be accessed (including DES Procedures on Child Protection) on our website.

Don't forget you can also follow us on twitter for all the latest news at www.twitter.com/EdenderryBNS



All the staff of Scoil Muire Bannrion are very proud of all our students for their fantastic success and achievements this year. We would like to wish all our students a safe and happy summer and we hope for continued success in 2012-2013.