

# HOLY FAMILY JNS NEWSLETTER

## JUNE 2019

### Red Mountain Farm

We went to Red Mountain Farm on Thursday 13th June. We were all very excited and loved going on the bus. We went on a farm walk, went to the playground, had a picnic and saw lots of animals. We saw goats, donkeys, ponies, hens, a rooster, rabbits, lambs and a goose! We loved meeting and holding the puppies Prince and PJ! Lucky for us, the rain stayed away and we got a tractor ride. It was a brilliant day!

### Junior Infants Rooms 1-6



### Retirement - Mr Ray Watson

After 35 years in our school Mr Watson is retiring!!! Mr Watson has been a class teacher/special education teacher and has had responsibility for ICT, including the school website. He has also been the man behind the camera for most school events.

We are sure that you will join the Board of Management in thanking him for his excellent service to the school and wish him a very happy, healthy and enjoyable retirement.

Board of Management



### Our First Communion

Our Holy Communion was on Saturday 18th May.

We all looked lovely in our Holy Communion clothes.

Fr Des & Fr Antony celebrated the Masses. It really was a special day.



### Second Classes

### First Class Tour

First Classes went to Funtasia on their school tour on Tuesday 18th June.

We took part in some science experiments and made toothpaste for elephants!!!



We visited the reptile zoo and saw snakes, scorpions and iguanas. The zookeeper let us touch a Californian king snake called Elvis. We had a great time.

First Classes Rooms 9 - 13



### Second Class Tour

We went to Let's Go Camp in DCU on Friday 21st June. We left nice and early and had a fun filled day. We went rolling in the Zorb balls, wall climbing, shooting down the Super Slide and played King of the Castle on Air Mountain. We will never forget our 2nd class tour! It was a brilliant day!

Second Classes  
Rooms 15-20



### Airfield Farm Dundrum

We went to Airfield Farm on 28th May. It was a lovely fine day. We saw lots of different animals - donkeys, cows, chickens, goats and sheep. We saw a cow being milked and were able to taste the fresh creamy milk.

Then we had a minibeast hunt. We discovered frogs, beetles and ladybirds. We had a great day!

Senior Infants Rooms 7, 8, 7A, 8A, 21 & 22.



### Sports

Many thanks to Paul & St Finians GAA. We wish Paul every success in his new career with An Garda Siochana. Thank you to Ciaran Cunningham Tennis Coach from Fingal Co Co.

### School Services

Thank you to all who have paid school services. A reminder to those who have not could you please forward as soon as possible.

# "Green Schools - 3rd Flag-Water"

## "Slow the Flow on H2O"

We are delighted to announce that we have been awarded our 3rd Green Flag - Water.

On Thursday 20th June, we proudly raised our flag. Children all wore green and blue, sang our "Water Song". A fun day was held in celebration.

Congratulations to all children and staff.

Please see website for photos.



## Parents' Association

The Parents' Association are always of great support to the school.

Thank you to you all for giving so generously of your time to the Book Fair, Spring Day, Sponsored Jog and to the hundreds of cups of tea you have made this year !!!

Preloved Uniforms - holyfamilyuniforms@gmail.com

Meetings are held on the first Monday of every month in the school at 8.15 pm.

New members are always welcome.

www.holyfamilyparentsassociation@gmail.com

## Discover Primary Science & Maths Award

Congratulations to all the pupils, teachers and parents who were involved in our 'SFI Certificate in STEM project' earlier this year.

We have met all the criteria required and have been awarded a "Discover Primary Science and Maths Award" for the 2018/2019 academic year.

All of the STEM activities are on the school website and the certificate will be on display in the foyer.



## Safety

The school opens to receive pupils at 8.50 am. **No responsibility is accepted for pupils arriving before that time.** Please ensure that your child arrives on time for school. **Classes end each day at 1.30 pm for Junior and Senior Infants and 2.30 pm for First and Second Standards. Children in First and Second Standards must have written permission to go home on their own.**

## Dogs

**Dogs, including dogs on leads are not allowed on school premises. This is necessary in the interest of your child's health and safety.**

## Scoters & Bicycles

**For the health and safety of all, the use of scooter and bicycles is not permitted on school grounds.**



## New Junior Infants

We look forward to seeing the 162 new junior infants in August for their first day at school.

## End of School Term

School year ends on **Friday 28th June 2019.**

**All children go home at 12.00 noon.**

**School re-opens at 8.50 am on Thursday 29th August 2019.**

**\*\*\*If your child is not returning to this school next year, please inform your child's class teacher/school secretary as soon as possible.\*\*\***

**A very Happy and Safe Holiday to all Parents/Guardians and children. Looking forward to seeing you all back on Thursday 29th August.**

\*\*\*\*\* **School Website** \*\*\*\*\*  
Click on [www.holyfamilyjns.ie](http://www.holyfamilyjns.ie) and check our website for school calendar and news.

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