



St. Mark's News

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Getting our Green Flag . . .

This week we had an inspector come to our class to talk about the green flag and ask us why we want it . I think we deserve it because we have put in a lot of hard work from the start of the year. We also recited the green schools poem we wrote. We will find out the result in a week or two . So keep your fingers crossed .Ann Adeyemo and Priya Susan

Intercultural Day 28th May 2009

Intercultural day is when kids from our school bring in different types of food or clothes or music from their home country. Some of the kids can tell stories about their country and if you can play any musical instruments from your country, you can play for us. We also look at paintings and things like muslim prayer mats I'm really looking forward to it this year.

St.Marks school Intercultural Day is on the 28 of May this year we are looking for peoples families to tell stories or do things and show items that represent their culture if you have anything that might be of intrest.

Just Call 0876440942

And leave your name and number Nathan Dioka & Ciava Kelly

All Ireland and International Irish Dancing Championships

During the Easter holidays I went to Clare for the All Irelands. It was so hard but I had fun. Ciaran and I danced on the Monday and the rest of the dancing group danced on the Wednesday. We all did very well. Clodagh won a medal in the Jig, she was brilliant. I came 81st out of 151 people. It was my first year so that wasn't bad. My wig was so itchy ! I had to keep it on for 12 hours..... thats a long time. I can't wait until next year. I am hoping to get up higher. By Aisling Brierton 5th Ms Mac Manus

Going to Spain

Going to Spain will be really fun. It will be holiday number one. I cant wait to go on te slides. my sisters will enjoy the mary - go-rides. There is a pool outside the house , I'll regret if thereis a mouse .Icant wait o go to Spain, becauseit will get rid of my pain . On a plane 2 hours o my god.I dont want to eat a fish (cod) Big chance of sun burn , I hope my mam doesn't end up with a perm. by Liam in Mr Daly's class

South Africa

My name is Chantle; I went to Johanesburg in South Africa on a plane. My Mom and Dad me took the bus to Cape Town We were on the road for more than 18 hours. It took stops in different cities and towns . Nearly at every petrol staion there was a fast food restarant called Steers. It is very popular in South Africa. At one of the stops there was a map . My dad told me where we were. We were at the Eastern Cape .We were near Port Elisabeth. We arrived to Cape town the next day in the afternoon.

Football Match

On Tuesday the 28th of April St. Mark's senior National school played St. Aidan's. It was a league match and was vital for St. Mark's to get a win because St. Aidan's were second in the league. We played on the St. Mark's Celtic pitch. We played good football for a few minutes but then St. Aidan's threatened our defence by getting two shots on target. However, our super-keeper Mark O'leary was able to keep them out. About 15 minutes later, St. Mark's took the lead when I broke through their defence and put the ball away into the back of the net. Then a few minutes later, St. Aidan's scored. We thought it was all over then the second half came and we were all over them like ants. The final score was 4 - 1 to St. Mark's. Clinchy.

Jokes !!!

1. What do you call a elephant in a phone box? Stuck
 2. When is it bad luck to see a black cat? When you're a mouse
 3. Who went into the tigers lair and came out alive? The tiger Karl Stafford
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Summer Holidays

It is almost the Summer Holidays and everybody is happy like teachers and pupils. There are 59 days till our Summer holidays. So when it is the last day of school make sure you make cards for your teacher, let them sign your bag with lots of things. Paola Mayhamba

Bí Gnóthach Project

Bí Gnóthach was a 5th class project. It was a good experience. There was a boring part too though..the colouring!! The best part was going around to the classes showing the bookmarks. I think everyone liked it. It was also good because the children were in charge not the teachers.

We had to make and sell bookmarks. We have just finished making a poster showing what we did. There are lots of cool pictures of the kids working and lots of writing too. It will be on display in Tallaght library in June. Alex Milivojevic and Cian Mc Donnell

Duck and Swan By John Quinn

Duck and Swan is a moving and often funny story of friendship and acceptance set against a background of intolerance and high adventure in a quiet part of county Galway.

When Martain "Duck" Oduki, abandoned in Dublin by his father and his mother, runs away from St. Mark's care centre, Emer Healy discovers him hiding on a school bus bound for Galway.

Duck had many adventures before returning to Dublin to be re-united with his mother. John Quinn was born in co. Meath and worked as a teacher before becoming a radio producer in the Education Department of RTE. He visited all the 5th Classes in February. We all enjoyed his visit and enjoyed this book. Gary Fitzgerald. 5th Class

Ballroom and Hip Hop Dance Lessons

Every Friday after school, there is a ballroom and Hip hop dance class taking place in St. Marks school hall, at 2.40 to 3.40. It is 5 euro in, every week. Leah Williams.

Scouts

On Friday the 24th of April my friends and I went on a camp with 111th Springfield scouts. It was exciting because we were a novice team on the Shield. It was hard work but great fun. A lot of the children from Saint Marks have joined scouts and have enjoyed it. My favourite thing to do on the shield was probably the bases, specially the one when my friends Sinead, Miss Orla and Kamillo had to cross a river on a harness. It was scary but lots of fun. On Friday and Saturday we were working really hard to get the sleeping tents, the storage tents, the dining tents up, build the tripods, and last of all cook the food. I love scouts. By Amy Atkinson

Tesco Tokens

So far we've got 9000 tokens and that's great, but we need 25,000 so we need to get 16,000 more to get some new computers! If we have some tokens left over, we can buy some art and P.E. stuff. So if you raised 9000 in a short period of time I'm sure we can raise 16,000 before the end of the year. So please try try try. Send all tokens to Mr Durkin!!
