



# Scoil Naomh Fionán Newsletter

# Halloween edition 2023

We would like to begin by welcoming the new Junior Infants to our school. We wish them well for the year ahead!

In Mrs Taylor's class we welcome: Corey Allison Toner, Tess Barr, Aisling Carlin, Skye Cashen, Fia Davenport, Clodagh Diver, Alannah Doherty, Aoibhín Doherty, Rosie Doherty, Ayla Faulkner, Feidhlem Harkin, Freddie Kelly, Brigid Lynch, Holly McAdams, Hugh McGonagle, Olivia Moloney, Georgia Robb, Aidan Sharkey and Finn Wilson.

#### Green Schools

Congratulations to the two new members of the junior committee from 4<sup>th</sup> class, Áine Lynch and Dylan McCallion. The school garden didn't do as well as the last two years. We did, however, have a good potato harvest in September which went down well with 6<sup>th</sup> class as they had them mashed with butter for lunch.

Climate Action Week took place from 16<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup>
October. The whole school was busy learning about
what is causing the earth's climate to change so
quickly and about the little things we can do to help.
Classes engaged in a variety of activities; a webinar
by author Oisín McGann (Feel the Change),
information on 'food waste' and a selection of stories
such as 'Greta and The Giants'.

6<sup>th</sup> Class are our Primary Climate Ambassadors and have begun work on their first task- design an avatar based on the five Global Citizenship themes.

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## Maths Week 13th -21st October 2023



Maths Week Ireland promotes an awareness and understanding of maths through a variety of activities. Throughout this week, the whole school got to participate in Maths related tasks such as games, online activities and trails. Pupils enjoyed learning and participating using resources on www.mathsweek.ie

#### Walk to Whitecastle House



The children in Junior and Senior Infants went on a nature walk to Whitecastle house earlier this month. On a crisp, bright, dry Autumnal morning, the children looked out for the different signs of Autumn as they made their way to the huge Horse Chestnut trees growing in the garden of the house. This was the highlight of the walk as the children were excited to collect lots of conkers and chestnuts. They all returned to school with bags full to the brim and thoroughly enjoyed the morning.

### Gaelic Football

Thirty-four boys and girls travelled to
Moville to take part in a Gaelic Blitz along
with pupils from Scoil Eoghain, Gaelscoil Cois
Feabhail and Scoil Cholmcille, Greencastle.
It was brilliant! TY students from Moville
Community College facilitated the whole day.

There were some great football skills on display and all the boys and girls got to play a few matches. The beautiful weather added to the enjoyment of the day!

