

Yellow Furze NS April 2024 Newsletter



Aladdin Connect: We are moving ahead with Aladdin Connect – you will receive a letter (please check bags) over the next day or 2 with relevant information and a registration link will be sent to all next week.

Sacramental Classes: Our 6th class had a fantastic day for their Confirmation. A huge thank you to all of you for supporting your child throughout the term. Also, a special word of thanks to Mr. Curtis and Ms. Halpenny for the significant amount of preparatory work they would have done with all the students. A reminder about the Enrolment Mass that takes place this Sunday at 11am for pupils who are making their First Penance on Tuesday 23rd April.

First Communion takes place on Saturday 18th May at 10am.

Easter Raffle: The Annual Easter Raffle was a great success. Once again, we'd like to express our gratitude to all those members of the Parents Association who helped organise the event. Many thanks to all the generous sponsors who donated a whole raft of prizes that were gleefully accepted by the boys and girls. The amount raised in total was €2557.

Seachtain na Gaeilge: We had a fabulous Seachtain na Gaeilge with the highlight being our "Seó sa Halla" on the Friday. Every class participated singing songs, reciting poems, playing music and of course dancing. We would encourage you to continue to look at the Frásaí na Seachtaine that we do each week in school and are available to look at on our website under 'About Us' (Gaeilge)

<u>Dancing / Drumming / Music:</u> Drumming workshops for all classes take place next week and Dance lessons with Aine Farrelly for all classes begin on April 23rd and run for 6 weeks. Songwriting workshop in conjunction with Waltons & Songwriter Luan Parle starts on April 24th & runs for 6 weeks.

P.A. Meeting Tuesday 16 April @ 7.30pm

The Parents Association will be having a meeting on Tuesday 16th April @ 7.30pm. Again, I would ask that if you can attend to please do so. It is very important that a wide variety of views are heard and it adds to the vibrancy of the Association. The Committee members would only be delighted to see more parents – those who have attended in the past and those who never have.

Board of Management: The Board will be having its next meeting in early May. Agreed reports from those meetings are available on the school website for the school community to view. (www.yellowfurzens.ie -About Us—Board of Management)

Olympic Handball:

A huge well done to our Boys Olympic Handball team who participated in the Leinster Championships in March. Under the guidance of Mr Martin and Mr Curtis, they played teams from all over the province winning every match to eventually be crowned Leinster Champions. They now qualify to go and play in the All – Ireland Championships to be held in UL Limerick on April 24th, with games kicking off at 9.30am. They have already achieved an amazing feat to reach an All – Ireland and we wish them all the best.

Soccer: Well done to both boys and girls teams in the recent Meath Blitz. All teams performed brilliantly and especially one of our girls teams who qualified for the next stage of the competition on April 17th.

Swimming 3rd to 6th continue to go swimming in Navan for the next 3 Fridays – April 12, 19 & 26⁻¹

GAA Blitz: The boys performed fantastically well in the final of the Meath competition, winning 2 of their 3 matches and only losing by a point in the last match.

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5th Class Cake Sale:

Well done to our 5th class with Ms Hickey who organised a Cake Sale for charity. It was a huge success with €1875 raised in total for the two charities they had picked to support - the Irish Cancer Society and Down Syndrome Ireland.

School Tours:

Jun & Sen Inf.	May 24 th	Navan Adventure Centre
1 st & 2 nd	May 28th	Navan Adventure Centre
3 rd	May 24 th	Trim Castle
4 th	June 12th	Dublinia
5 th	June 26 th	National Sports Centre
6 th	May 23rd	Croke Park
	June 24th	Carlingford Adven. Centre

Calendar for April—Please note new early closure on April 30th to facilitate Staff Meeting. Junior & Senior infants will finish @1.50pm, all other classes 2pm.

10 April	Creative Arts Facilitator Juniors – 2 nd
12 April	Swimming
14 April	Enrolment Mass First Penance 11 am Yellow Furze Chruch
17 April	Drumming workshop all classes
17 April	Creative Arts Facilitator Jun – 2 nd
	Girls Soccer Match
19 April	Swimming
23 April	Dance – all classes
	First Penance 7pm Yellow Furze Church
24 April	Walton's Songwriting workshop
	Olympic Handball All Ireland Final – UL, Limerick
26 April	Swimming – Final Lesson
30 April	Dance
	Staff Meeting – school closes at 2pm.
1 st May	Walton's Songwriting workshop
3 rd May	School closed Bank Holiday Weekend
6 th May	School closed Bank Holiday Weekend

Re-opening date for 24/25 school year will be Thursday 28th August 2024.