



Ballinahinch NS - Halloween Newsletter 2018

We have had a very busy first term in Ballinahinch NS. Here is a quick recap of all the great things we have been doing in our school so far this year.

Visiting Joe Schmidt:

We had a great day out at Newport Rugby Club where we got to meet Joe Schmidt and play some fun rugby games. We also got a signed rugby ball for our school from Joe. We also made a special presentation on behalf of Rugby United in New York who have connections to our school. It was a great day out topped off with goodie bags from the IRFU.



Gaelic Games:

Our u11 and u13 footballers had great days out at their blitzes. For many it was their first ever match for the school and they all did their best and represented the school in the best way possible. The future is

bright for our GAA Club with these young stars.



Futsal Soccer:

Our 3rd & 4th Class boys and girls had a great day out in Ballymackey at their Futsal Blitz. They had great fun and tried their best



All Ireland U-21 Cup Visits our school:

We were thrilled to welcome back past pupil Davy Gleeson with the U21 All Ireland Hurling Cup. Davy brought along his team mate and man of the match in the final Robert Byrne. It was a great day for all our pupils to see someone from Ballinahinch winning an All Ireland and the key message was to always believe in yourself and try your best. Thanks to Davy & Robert for a great day.

Maths Week:

Our whole school had a great week playing maths games, using our maths eyes and seeing how maths is used everyday in our environment. Our senior classes had a great achievement of coming 8th overall in the whole country for the senior target board. Maith sibh.

Cross Country:

Ballinahinch NS was represented brilliantly once again this year at the Cross Country Athletics in Thurles. Everyone ran so well and tried their best and we had some fantastic medal winners too. We all need to get out and get active. Big thanks to Ms. Walsh and Fr. Bobby for taking us to Thurles.



New Yard:

We have some fantastic new games on our school yard. The children love these new games and a huge thank you to our wonderful Parents Association for getting us these activities to help us to get out and get active.



Healthy Eating Policy:

We have a new healthy eating policy in our school which was sent home in the recent days. We encourage you to read through this. Eating well means learning well.

Monthly Assembly:

We had our first monthly assembly and it was a huge success. Children receive awards for trying their best in class, on the yard and talking Gaeilge and achievements to be proud of outside of school through the Goldenbook.

Garda Visit:

Garda Brian Mulcahy visited our school to talk about road safety and being safe on social media. It was very informative and the children learned a lot from Garda Brian.



Scholastic School Book Fair:

Our school book fair was a huge success this year. The children had great fun looking and buying books and stationery and interacting with the older pupils who ran the book fair. Thank you so much to you all for your contributions. As a result of the success of our book fair the school will now receive over 1,000 in books for our school library. Thank you for all the support.

We have had a very busy first term. Thank you to all our very hard working staff here in Ballinahinch NS, our Parents Association, our Board of Management and to all our parents for making our school such a wonderful friendly environment. Wishing you all a very safe and happy Halloween.

Mise le meas,

Shane McGrath

Principal Ballinahinch NS.