

Dun Laoghaire Lions' Club have asked us to pass on their grateful thanks to all parents and pupils who so generously supported their Food Appeal before Christmas.



Catholic Schools' Week: We will be celebrating Catholic Schools' Week from 27th January to 3rd February.



Congratulations to Ms. Corcoran and her husband on the birth of their daughter.



ACTIVITIES IN SCHOOL

All classes enjoyed the road safety workshops with the Road Safety Authority.

4th classes visited the NCH last week. Thank you to the PA who funded the tickets.

Mrs. Boyle's 2nd class will visit the Maritime Museum on the 24th January.

6th classes have been invited to Rathdown School Musical on the 30th January.

Accord Parent Talk 30th January.

5th classes will attend talks given by Accord on Relationships and Sexuality on the 27th March and 6th classes on the 28th March. 4th Class (Girls) talks will be on the 27th March.

Peace Proms Concert 2nd February. Thank you to 4th class teachers for their work with the Choir.

4th classes and Mr. Larkin's 3rd class have started swimming lessons at Castlepark Pool.

1st classes have started Gaelic this term on Thursdays.

5th classes and Mrs. Macey's 6th class have started a 10 week Mindfulness programme.

5th classes are continuing their Ukulele lessons with Music Generation. Staff members are also taking lessons.

Green School Update—from the PA

Our school is delighted to have joined the local Glashule Sandycove Going Green project. Posters have been put up around the school and will also be distributed to classrooms, detailing what actions the school has taken and how the school community can get involved.

A Big Thank You to the school community for supporting a greener 2018 Christmas Fair. We successfully reduced our impact on the environment by:

- Refraining: from purchasing CapriSun for children and instead provided squash and water in reusable cups
- Reducing: single use plastic bottle waste by introducing water fountains with reusable cups
- Reducing: landfill by encouraging reusable coffee cups and using compostable cups rather than disposable, diverting approx. 550 cups from landfill
- Reusing: some of the compostable cups which have been cleaned and will be reused for the Sixth class plant sale
- Recycling: four 100ltr bags of packaging were brought to recycle centre

Thank you to everyone for working to make Harold greener, we look forward to building on these initiatives in 2019!

It has been noticed that a large number of scooters are being left overnight in the Scooter Park. Parents please make sure that your child takes their scooter home every day.



Service of Light for pupils preparing for Confirmation takes place on Sunday 27th January at 12.30pm Mass in St. Joseph's Glashule.

SECURITY: Children who arrive late at the school must sign in at the office. There is now a key pad on the door at the top of the front stairs so all children arriving late must sign in at the office and use other stairs. Children should be punctual arriving in school. They should be in their lines at 8.50am when the bell goes, ready to enter the school with their teachers.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' WEEK 2019 GRANDPARENTS' DAY

The Harold School warmly invites Grandparents (and Parents) to join us on Thursday 31st January for a special Mass in St. Joseph's Church at 11.30am. Refreshments will be served in the Library from 10.00am.

Garda Vetting: We are very grateful to parents who volunteer to help in the school. In line with our obligation under Child Protection Guidelines, it is necessary for parents who volunteer to be vetted in advance. Vetting must be renewed every 3 years. If you need to check on your vetting please email your request to reception@haroldschool.ie. If you have applied to be Garda vetted and are waiting to be contacted it is important that you check your spam for emails from vetting authorities.

UNIFORM: Shoes are to be worn with uniform. Runners to be worn with school track suit on PE and Gymnastics days only.



Gaelbhratach Frasaí

Bain Triail as na frasaí seo sa bhaile. Try these phrases at home with your children.

An féidir liom deoch/leabhar/páipéar a fháil? - May I get a drink/book/paper?

Ní féidir liom é a dhéanamh. - I cannot do it.

An gcabhróidh tú liom? - Will you help me?

Cá bhfuil an.....? Where is the.....?

Tá peann luaidhe/deoch/ciarsúr uaim. - I need a pencil/drink/tissue