



Sharing Our School Focus with Parents

February 29th 2016.

Book Week in Holy Trinity NS

Holy Trinity is delighted to welcome the **Book Fair** to the school again this year. There are many fantastic events happening at the school, and we encourage parents to keep the 'Reading Fever' going at home. The book fair will be taking place in the hall as happened last year. It will be open to families before and after school, as well as from 6 to 7:15 pm on Wednesday 2nd March. Parents of junior infant pupils are encouraged, if possible to attend our **story-time session** taking place at 1:30 on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

During school the children will be very busy with Buddy Reading in the mornings, as senior children do paired-reading with juniors. Children from 1st-6th will also hear storytelling, including a visit by author **Nuala Hayes**. The senior children will enjoy a quiz.

Children will also be encouraged to record **Fís Book Reviews**.

Parents are invited to attend the monthly cuppa in the school hall on Thursday morning March 3rd.

Reading Tips.

Please see our reading tips for parents which are posted on the parent section of the school website.

Looking back on our Travel Week

Holy Trinity has been very busy this week, with numerous activities promoting eco-friendly travel. These included:

- A postcard campaign to local representatives for a crossing guard/lollipop lady
- A whole-school 'Green Travel to Cork' initiative that was successfully completed. Well done to everyone for taking part by cycling, scooting, walking, or running. The school easily covered the 259,100 metres from Leopardstown racecourse to Patrick's Bridge in Cork City. A real achievement that we need to use as a starting point to increase the number of children using green travel methods for getting to school.
- A 'Decorate your Bike' day with prizes for 'Most Creative' and 'Most Eco Friendly'
- Write a Green Code competition to write a four-line rhyme promoting eco-friendly travel.
- Science lessons for each class, including for example, investigating bicycle safety equipment and pollution.
- Maths trails based on the theme of travel
- Presentation of 'The Golden Boot' award for eco-friendly travel

Well done to everyone for such high levels of participation. We have all learned a lot about the importance of looking after the environment and walking, scooting, cycling, or carpooling when we can. Our application for our green flag will be submitted in March.

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