



# CLOUGHOGHE NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2017-JUNE 2017

## Feis

This year our school took part in Newry Feis as normal. We were very successful in lots of events and brought home numerous medals and certificates.

### Verse Speaking

Pupils from our school participated in the School Section for verse speaking at Newry Feis.

Everyone performed brilliantly and high marks were achieved all round as well as medals and certificates!!!

### Music

We have had a very successful year yet again at Newry Musical Feis, when our school participated in the string, brass and singing section. Some of the soloists were awarded prizes in these sections. We also participated with our string, brass and drumming ensemble groups. Our school's String group did very well and our drumming group who



## Environmental Youth Speak

This year we entered in a competition for public speaking. All P7's had to make up a speech about food waste. The top 6 from P7 presented their speech in front of P5, P6 and P7. Éadaoin Trainor was chosen to represent our school in

Downpatrick. She performed brilliantly and came 2nd out of 50 people. This was the first time our school took part in this event. Well done Éadaoin and everyone else who took part!

## Cycling Proficiency

During March, April and May some P7 students took part in Cycling Proficiency training afterschool. The boys and girls had to put in a lot of time and effort in order to prepare for their written and practical tests. Everyone completed their exam and certificates and badges were presented to the pupils during the month of June. The students would like to thank Mrs Orlandi, Mr McShane and Mr Byrne for organizing this activity and braving the elements to allow them time to practice.



## Goodbye

Unfortunately it has come to the time for the P7's to move onto a new school. They have spent a large part of their lives so far in our school and therefore know it like the back of their hand. We wish them the best of luck as they move on to the next stage of their lives and hope that they have many happy memories of our school. We also wish Mr McKee and other staff who are leaving or have left this year the best of luck for the future!

## Football Blitzes

This term was very busy and successful with football blitzes. Mr McKee arranged after school Gaelic with Aileen McGuinness, a coach that comes to our school. We recently took part in the Thomas Mallon Memorial Cup in Killeavy GAC, which we won against St Joseph's Meigh PS in the finals with the difference of 1 point. The girls from P6 and P7 took part in the Malachy McGeeney Cup in the Athletic Grounds in County Armagh, which they came runners up in. The boys also participated in a blitz held in St Paul's High School, Bessbrook and took home the 1st place cup.

Thank you to Mr McKee who organised the training and trips to these blitzes and well done to everyone who participated!



### Walk to School Week

Walk to School Week was from Monday 15th to Friday 19th May. Lots of children from P4 – P7 participated . We met at Costcutter at 8:25am and left at 8:30am.

It helped our environment and it helped to also keep us fit and healthy.

### **HAVE A LOVELY SUMMER!!!**



### School Trips



This year our school had another great year in the way of school trips.

P7 went to Portrush. They participated in archery , body boarding and team games. They visited Barry's Amusements, had a disco and then stayed overnight in a hotel. On the way home they stopped off in Lisburn Swimming Pool and at Bow Street Mall Shopping Centre.

P6 went to Funtasia where they went to the 'Pirate's Cove Water Park' and then went to the arcade.

Both P5 classes went to W5 and the Ulster Museum in Belfast .

P4 went to Palace Stables in Armagh to find out about World War 2.

P3 went to the cinema and the Fun House.

P2 went to the Armagh Planetarium.

P1 went to Annett's Garden Centre in Warrenpoint.

### Lost and Found

In our school we have a Lost and Found section outside the staffroom door. It has many items in it like snack boxes, jumpers, bags etc. If your child has lost or misplaced anything throughout the year ask them to check the Lost and Found. Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity at the end of June.



### Sports Day

On Monday 5th June P5-7 had their sports day. P1-P4 had their sports day on Friday 2nd June. Examples of the events the children took part in were the sprint race, the sack race, the three legged, bat and ball, relay, hopping race and hot shots. There also were some novelty events such as penalty shootouts too. First all the children participated in a heat. The winners of the semi-final got through to the final. The winners of the finals were presented with their 1st, 2nd or 3rd place medals/badges at a special Sports Prize Giving Assembly during June. Congratulations to all those who took part.

### Polytunnel

This year we have got the Polytunnel up and running. Classes from Nursey to P7 have been out planting in the Polytunnel. The poly tunnel was looking good but we needed to add colour. So some of the student council members helped organise a competition for the Polytunnel. We had lots of really good and colourful pictures which made judging it hard but we had to pick 2 from each class. Thank you to everyone who took part. The winners are as follow:

P1KQ- Ollie and Lena P1KC- Maya and Molly

P2AK- Marianna and Amy P2SC- Roisin and Sophie

P3CMN- Oliwa and Anna P3SM- Isabelle and Ava

P4NMG- Cara and Aebha P 4SC- Mia and Denis

P5AG- Taylor and Tiernan P 5TMK- Amelia and Finn

P6AMK- Charlie and Nathan P6DB- Rebecca and Shea

P7MW- Aoife and Katie P7CMS- Cara and Rebecca

### Cross Country

This year primaries 4-7 entered Cross Country. Four boys and four girls entered from each year group.

P4– Paul Stanfield, Conor Murphy, Pearse McDonnell, Eamon Flanagan,

Kate Boyd, Niamh McAleenan-McQuaid, Annabelle Hope, Enya Clarke . P5-Thomas McCabe, Ryan

Lennon, Niall Meegan, Jake Kavanagh, Hannah-Lily Magennis, Ella Savage, Lucia Keane, Anna

McCann, Rory Allen, Cormac Boyle, James Coghlan, Conor Haughey,

Naya O'Hare, Sorcha Flanagan, Amy Bantleman, Orla Caffrey P6-Lui

Duffy, Mark Goodman, Conor Foster, Aron Magennis, Annie Stanfield, Eva Hoey, Siofra Doherty,

Shanice Murtagh P7-Rebecca Cunningham, Ciara Meegan, Caitlin Smith, Éadaoin Trainor,

Ryan Matthews, Kealan McDonnell, Rory Fay, Jack Hoben.

