

HELLO FARRAN!



First Holy Communion

May 2015

On the 9th of May 2nd class made their First Holy Communion. They practiced very hard and when it came to the day everyone was very well prepared. Nine children made their First Communion on the day. Their names are Oisin, Kevin, Ben, Donnacha, Daniel, Tadhg, Molly, Leah and Ella.

The ceremony was beautiful and the songs and prayers which were done by

the choir and the children were lovely.



so special for everybody. We would all so like to thank the Farran Parents Association for the tea and refreshments afterwards!!! We really loved our personalized cookies

We would like to sincerely thank Ms. O'Connell, Ms. Murphy, Ms Dunlea, Ms. Kelliher Monsignor O'Callaghan and Fr. O' hIcÍ for making the day

Sciath na Scoil.

We started off our Sciath na Scol campaign with amazing results! We played our first game

at home where we beat a strong No-hoval team by a few goals. After this triumphant win we were ready to beat a tough Dripsey side.

We knew that this was going to be a hard match because we had beaten them in a close final last year. Thankfully we came out of this match triumphantly as well! Our next match brought us home where we continued our winning streak when we beat Firmount. Ballinadee was our closest match yet. We played the match in Ballinaspittle pitch and again finished with a win. We had won all our



matches which now meant we had qualified for the semi-final! The semi-final was played in Éire-Óg against Leamlara and a win on that day meant another Sciath na Scol final for the school. We headed to the Nemo Rangers grounds on Wednesday May 27th to meet Ballincurrig at 1pm. Despite the wet weather

conditions a huge crowd of Farran supporters. The match started and after 40 seconds a goal by Oisín gave us an early lead. By the end of the first half we had scored 1-6. We knew the second half would be hard against the wind! But thankfully with the help of Olivia our keeper and Isobel, Adam, David and Isobel in our back line Jack and Kevin mid-field and Rebecca, Órla, David Casey and Oisín in the forward line we finished the match 7-11 to 0-3!

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Special points of interest:

- ✓ **Congratulations to Isobel Sheehan as she heads to Thurles on June 7th to play in the primary games in Semple Stadium.**
- ✓ **The new infants will come to school on June 9th from 9.30 to 11.00. All classes will move briefly on that day and get their book-lists for the 2015-2016 school year.**
- ✓ **The Infants along with some children from the Nead will go on their school tour on June 5th to Leahy's Pet Farm.**
- ✓ **The EIC class in the Nead will go on a "Teddy Bear's Picnic in June.**
- ✓ **Children from first and second class along with children from the Nead will go the Life-time Lab and the Titanic Exhibition for their school tour on June 5th.**
- ✓ **Children from third and fourth class will go to the naval base in Haulbowline and the Gaol in Sunday's Well on June 12th for their school tour..**
- ✓ **Fifth and sixth class students will go on their school tour to Dublin on June 17th.**



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Ní neart go cur le chéile.



Hello,

Our names are Isobel, Oisín and Rebecca , and we are this month's editors.

We hope you enjoy this month's newsletter as it is filled with lots of information about the building update, Sciath na Scol and the First Holy Communion.

This is our second last newsletter , enjoy!!!

Slán

Go raibh maith agat!!!

Bain triail as sa bhaile

Cén clár atá ar an teilifís?

Building Update.

Phase one of our building project is now complete with the children in our autistic unit "Nead na Coille" having moved in to their new premises towards the end of April. Both staff and pupils are delighted with the extra space and light in these rooms. As well as the two classrooms they have a sensory room and new bathroom facilities.

We have now moved on to phase two, consisting of a second Learning Support room, which is situated behind our school hall, upgrading the toilet blocks in the older section of the school and repairs to the flat roof in this area. We also intend to create a soft play area in front of "Nead na Coille, and return the remainder of this area to grass. This phase is ongoing and we hope to have it completed by start of the next school year, Aug/Sept. 2015.



As the school has been granted by the Dept. of Education & Skills "developing school status" due to our increased pupil numbers, we will be gaining our sixth

mainstream classroom and extending "Nead na Coille" to include a third special class, as well as a safe space room. However there is a possibility that if the expected numbers do not materialise in September that this appointment will just be for September and October and the permanent appointment will have to wait until September 2016.

Before launching phase three of our building project, we must begin the procedure of going to tender to appoint an architect for this our next building phase, and proceed with the planning process. We realise the building works cause some inconveniences but we are very grateful to all parents and pupils for their patience and for their ongoing support. We're also extremely thankful to the Farran Community Hall Committee for allowing us to use their facilities when necessary.

Our school will be a state of the art building with a favourable pupil/teacher ratio, equipment and resources capable of meeting all needs of a constantly changing and progressing educational system going in to the future.

We will keep everyone apprised of our building progress via our school website, www.snmfearann.com