

October 2018 Newsletter

St. Laurence O'Toole's P.S

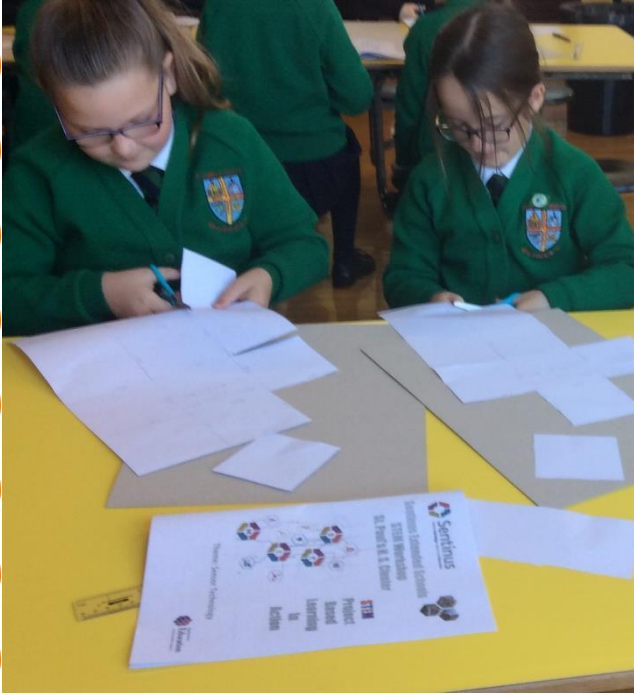
We have been very busy in school this month designing posters for the *Newry and Mourne District Council's Environmental* poster competition and the *Newtownhamilton Credit Union* poster competition, all of the children involved made a huge effort and have produced some art work to be very proud of!

Football Blitz (P5-P7)



STEM Workshop (P6/7)

Primary 6/7 pupils joined forces with children from St Malachy's Primary School, Camlough, to participate in a STEM workshop. During the workshop the children made a circuit board with a sensor.



Star of the Week Awards

| | Mrs. Toner/ Mrs McAteer | Miss O'Neill | Mrs Friel/ Mrs McAteer |
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| Week 1 | Ryan | Jack | Skye |
| Week 2 | Megan | Katie | Danielle |
| Week 3 | Cassie | Joseph | Eoghan |
| Week 4 | Patrick James | Darragh | Lucy |

Pupil of the Month Aoife



Birthdays

Happy Birthday to:

Sherena Abu
Katie Daly
Kayla Markey
Kyle Bradley
Daniel McParland

Reminders

£1 Football money on Mondays
£4 Milk money for November
All homework must be signed

Dates for your Diary

- 14/11/18 NSPCC
- 9/11/18 Flu Vaccine
- 28/11/18-29/11/18 Parent Teacher Meetings. Children will finish school at 12:45pm on both days.
- 20/12/18 Whole school trip.
- 21/12/18 School closed at 11:00am for Christmas Holidays.
- 7/1/19 School will reopen.



Thank you to everyone who contributed to our *Smartie Box Appeal* fundraiser. We are delighted to announce that we raised a total of **£251.40** which will go towards school funds. Any more boxes should be returned to school as soon as possible.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the *Ellen's Journey* charity. We raised a total of **£89.75.**

Halloween Celebrations!

Reception/P1



Primary 2 & 3



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Extended Schools Clubs

Relax Kids Club

P1/P2 (Wednesday 7th November) for 4 one-hour sessions (weekly) from 2-3 pm
P3/4/5 as above from 3-4 pm

Homework/Reading/IXL Club

P3/4/5/6/7 (Wednesday 7th November) from 3-4 pm

**If you have not returned your interest in any of the above, please
do so immediately.**



We are delighted to announce that our final total raised in the recent Coffee Morning for the Southern Area Hospice was **£320 and 15 Euro**. Once again thanks to all of you who contributed in any way.

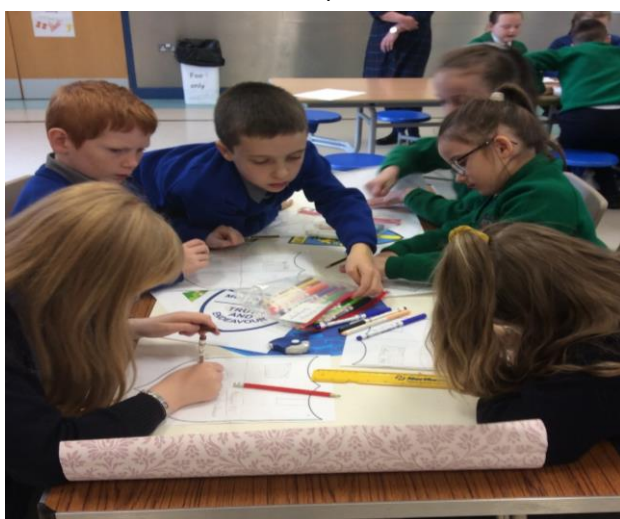
School Traffic

We would like to highlight once again that there is a one-way system operating in our school. The top gate is for incoming traffic and the bottom gate (closest to church) is an EXIT gate only. This is particularly important at drop-off and especially home time. To alleviate cars having to park on the main road we ask that cars park as close as possible to the EXIT gate and all other traffic to line up behind the first vehicle. There is also an option to park outside school off the main road. A member of staff supervises the children walking to these cars at home time every day. In the morning, we must insist that no-one parks at the bottom of the steps. This is a set-down only area. Again, this helps to keep traffic flowing.

**We ask for your cooperation with these guidelines and please instruct
all those collecting your children to do the same.**

Shared Education

The children in **P6/7** visited Mullaglass P.S. and worked with the children from Mullaglass, St. Malachy's P.S., Ballymoyer and Kingsmills P.S. on designs for a t-shirt which will be worn at the Celebration Event to be held later in the year.



P1/P2 children have also been introduced to the *Shared Education* programme and visited Kingsmill P.S. to participate in outdoor play activities.



As many of you are aware, the RE programme now used in school is *Grow in Love*. In the month of **November**, the children are invited to pray for any loved ones who have died. Here is a prayer that the children have been saying in school that could be shared at home.

**God our Father, we ask you to show us your mercy,
and to show mercy to those who have died.**

**Eternal rest grant onto them, O Lord, and let
perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in
peace.
Amen.**

