

# **Naas CNS Newsletter**

November 2023

#### Aladdin

Please make sure that your details are up to date on Aladdin. If you have any difficulties logging in to Aladdin please contact the school office. It is very important that your email, phone numbers and emergency contacts are up to date.

### **Soccer Teams**

Students from 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class competed in the inter schools FAI 11 aside soccer competition. They really enjoyed the games! A big thank you to Naas United for their support in providing us with a pitch to play our home games.



# **School Calendar**

School Calendar 2023 to 2024 is now available. School Calendar 2023 to 2024

# **Kindness Awards at Assembly**

Well done to the students who have been awarded the Kindness Award at our whole school assemblies. We will be giving these awards out over the school year for students who are observed being kind and showing kindness towards others.

#### **Nut Free Zone**

Naas CNS is a nut free zone. Parents are asked not to send nut products into school and to be mindful of the lunch items your children bring to school. We have a number of children with severe nut allergies.

# **Absence Report to Tusla**

Under the Education (Welfare) Act, 2000 the law states that every child between the ages of 6 and 16 must attend school or otherwise receive an education. Taking holidays during term time means that children miss important school time. We strongly advise parents not to take their children out of school for holidays during term time.

Please be aware that if your child misses 20 days or more in a school year the school must report it to Tusla. It is very important that you update the reason for any absences for your child on Aladdin.



# Green Schools Committee Report

#### **Battery Box Competition**

Last month we held a competition to see which class could recycle the most batteries. The winner of the battery box competition was 1<sup>st</sup> class (Múinteoir Sinéad) with 48.863kg of batteries, 2<sup>nd</sup> place was 6<sup>th</sup> class (Múinteoir Seamus) with 48.507kg, and finally 3<sup>rd</sup> was 1<sup>st</sup> class (Múinteoir Paul) with 27.838kg. Since 12<sup>th</sup> October we have recycled 238.980kg of batteries.

The competition has now closed, thank you to all who participated.

#### **Green Code**

We also had a school competition for our slogan (Green Code) for Green Schools. The winner was Sabrina (4<sup>th</sup> class). Her slogan was :

# "Green and Clean is our Dream."

By Darragh, Max and Aoibheann

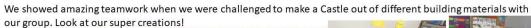
# **Contacting your Child's Teacher**

If you wish to speak with your class teacher please send an email to <a href="mailto:admin@naascns.ie">admin@naascns.ie</a>. Janice will inform the teacher and they will give you a call at a suitable time. Please be aware that teachers are responsible for their class from 9:15am.

# **Traffic and Parking**

Parents are asked to park in the car park to the right as you enter the campus. **Please do not park on paths at any time**. Parents are asked not to reverse down the bus drop zone. If there is not enough space on campus please park off site. Múinteoir Melissa's Senior Infants have been very busy lately! In October we had lots of fun participating in Maths week – we especially enjoyed the hands-on activities like making our patterns and shape pictures, the games on the iPads were also a great hit.





















# 1<sup>st</sup> Class Múinteoir Sinéad

To mark Climate Action Week 1<sup>st</sup> Class learned all about different ways to hep the environment, we played the "Waste Race" game to learn about recycling litter and we planted sapling of a Hazel tree that we will look after and hopefully plant in the school garden in the spring.



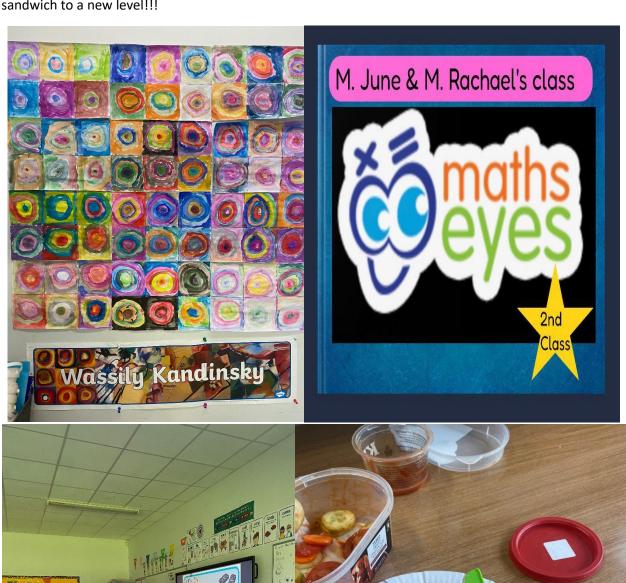
We had great fun dressing up on the Friday before mid-term and were delighted to find out that we were the winners of the battery collection competition.



# Múinteoir June and Múinteoir Rachael's 2nd class

We have had such a busy first half term. As well as working really hard, we also so managed to fit in lots of fun activities! We made our own slime, butter and we even made a digital book using Book Creator during Maths Week. We had award winning author Alex Dunne visit our class and read from her new book and we got to interview her. As part of G.M.G.Y., Annie Wilson's grandparents came in to visit us and we got to interview them. We produced some amazing art work using the watercolours inspired by the Russian artist Wassily Kandinsky. We went on a lovely nature walk down to the lakes where we looked at all the native Irish trees. We have been learning lots of new songs and even writing our own

music rhythms. As part of procedure writing in English, we made our own sandwiches. The staff were amazed by culinary skills displayed by some children in this simple task, they brought the humble sandwich to a new level!!!









# Múinteoir Colin's 4th Class

"4<sup>th</sup> class were really busy preparing for the Intel Mini Scientist competition. All the groups worked really hard and produced excellent experiments and models. However, the winning project was "How to clean the sea" and the group members were Pippa, Rose, Elanor and Steven. Congratulations to this team and they now advance to the Regional Finals in the new year."

















# Múinteoir Paul's 1st Class

In first class, we've been learning lots of different songs in music. Our favourites have been "Yellow Submarine" and "Monster Mash" for Hallowe'en. We even explored acoustic and electric guitars while learning "Mamma Mia".

We really enjoyed maths week. We played lots of new maths board games and used the BeeBots. We first got used to operating them by using the iPad app and then we got a chance to race them and design our own course in the PE hall.







**Dress Up Day Photos** 





# M. Miriam's Class



Using the results from our investigation we made umbrellas for our Lego people!

#### Claude Monet

We have been learning all about Claude Monet and recreating some of his artwork

Claude Monet











#### **Junior Infants 2024**

Our enrolment process for Junior Infants looking to enroll for September 2024 opens on January 8<sup>th</sup> 2024. Details are now available on our website.

# **Homework Club**

"Homework club is now running from Mondays to Thursdays from 3-4pm. We have some space available and children can attend on a weekly basis or pick individual days. For more information, please email naascnscamp@gmail.com."