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A MESSAGE FROM MR. PEPPER

- First of all, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you – Parents, teachers, staff, Board of Management and especially the children of St. Luke's for welcoming me to your school. It is a great honor and privilege to be part of this school community.
- The 2022/23 school year is now well underway and we are delighted to have welcomed everyone back to St. Luke's.
- We have lots of exciting lessons and activities planned for the year ahead and are looking forward to a fantastic year.

ACTIVITIES:

- ✓ 3rd to 6th Classes have been on on two orienteering outings in The Glen
- ✓ Space Week was a lot of fun and we covered topics related to Space and the science curriculum.
- ✓ Mr. Kevin O'Rourke has kindly given his time to us to deliver PE lessons to 1st – 4th class. THANK YOU!

YOGA

Yoga lessons with Mary Kelly (organized by Ms. Cecilia McGloughlin) will also be starting in St. Luke's in November. Junior Infants to 2nd class will be partaking in a 6 week program from Nov 11th until Dec 16th. 3rd to 6th class will then partake in a 6 week program running from Jan 6th until Feb 10th. Children are asked to bring their own yoga mats please. This activity is again made possible thanks to the parents of St. Luke's contributions via the curricular enhancement fund.

DRAMA

Drama lessons have begun and we are delighted to have CADA on board to deliver a quality drama program to all classes in St. Luke's. This has been funded by parent's contributions via the curricular enhancement fund. This contribution ensures that we can continue to deliver a top quality, and varied educational program to your children. Thank you for your continued support in this.



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FACEBOOK

- A school Facebook page has been set up and teachers have begun to use the platform to post images of children's work and activities.
- We will continue to do this as well as posting news and events over the course of the year so keep an eye on the page for updates!

300 Years of St. Annes

- The Tercentenary Thanksgiving Service of St Anne's Church, Shandon took place in the presence of the Bishop of Cork, the Right Reverend Dr. Paul Colton, on Sunday, 2nd October, 2022.
- The distinguished preacher on the day was Dr. Paula Gooder, Canon Chancellor, St. Paul's Cathedral, London.
- Children from St. Luke's Choir sang on the day and did us all very proud!

Parents Association News

- Swimming takes place at Mayfield pool every Friday afternoon from 3:00-3:40pm. It is organised by the Parent's Association. It is open to swimmers of all levels. The children are divided into groups based on ability/age. The cost depends on the number of children swimming, but is good value at under €5 euro per lesson. The lessons includes invaluable and much enjoyed play time in the pool. At present parents can observe during the week 3 and the week 8 sessions.
- Soccer: Soccer is on every Monday during school term. It takes place in The Glen Resource centre from 6-7pm. It is €2 per session pay as you go. It is open to all students once they turn 7 years old. Anyone interested please come along to a session.

BREAKING NEWS



HALLOWEEN



We are organizing a dress up day for the last day before midterm (Friday 28th October) to mark Halloween. The PA have organized a fundraiser for Mercy Foundation Residential Care Unit to coincide with this and parents can make a donation via the collection boxes at the school gate in the morning while dropping children off at school. Thank you to the parent volunteers for facilitating this collection!



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