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Dear Parents,

This week we were delighted to welcome new students from Ukraine to Scoil Phádraic Cailíní. The girls are a welcome addition to our school community and their classmates are very excited to meet them and get to know them!

We are looking forward to celebrating Neurodiversity week when we return, the week of 25th - 29th April.

Weather Station

OPW/Fingal County Council are sponsoring weather stations for primary schools in Rush, Donabate and Portrane as part of the Outer Rogerstown Estuary Coastal Flooding scheme. Kevin Vallely, executive engineer was at the school yesterday to erect a weather station onto of the school roof. The data from the weather station is now

live on www.wow.met.ie, you can zoom in on Donabate on the map of Ireland, and click on our weather station to see the data. We are looking forward to exploring this data with the children, which will mean so much more to them because it is local weather data collected by our school's weather station. Mr Vallely said: "It was great to see schools show an interest in the Weather Stations for Schools project. These automatic weather stations will be able to record wind speed, temperature, rainfall and wind direction. This information will be extremely useful to the OPW, Met Éireann and Fingal's flood sections."



Fantastic Fundraising

Last weekend our 4th class pupils lead by Zoe O'Connor and Mischa Brady came up with a plan to help with the devastating humanitarian situation in Ukraine. They recruited friends and classmates to help with a sale in Rahillion. There were lovely baked goods, some high quality second hand items and lovely plants on offer, after weeks of seeking out donations for the sale. Many 4th class girls came along on the day to help, as well as to support by purchasing the treats for sale. The girls raised a fantastic €613 which has now been donated to Irish Red Cross. We are very proud of the girls' kindness as well as their motivation to help.



Upcoming dates:

Monday 25th April - school reopens

Monday 2nd May - bank holiday

Friday 27th May - half day, teacher training





GAA

Congratulations to our new 6th class GAA team, who had a fantastic win again St. Philips SNS in their very first match. The winning streak continued yesterday with a 9 goals 5 points to 2 goals 1 point win against GaelScoil Baile Brigín. Well done to the girls on all their hard work and we wish them continued success in their matches in the coming weeks.

WRITING WONDERS

The Pupils' Council have published the 6th edition of their literary showcase - Writing Wonders. This edition features pieces written by the girls about art they have made. You can read this and previous editions of Writing Wonders on the school website www.scoilphadraiccailini.ie.

EASTER FUN

There has been a huge amount of activity in the school this week - Junior Infants to 4th class had fun with the animals from Paul's Pets, 5th & 6th classes walked to Scrumdiddly's, where they enjoyed their ice creams in the sunshine, and all the classes have been enjoying raffles, tombola, colouring competitions and egg hunts! Sincere thanks to our Parents' Association and all our volunteer mummies and daddies.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a peaceful and enjoyable Easter break.

