

Scoil Phádraic Cailíní, Donabate, Co. Dublin

Together we learn,
Together we succeed



Scoil Phádraic Cailíní | March 2022 update

Dear Parents,



The school has been a hive of activity over the last few weeks. At the beginning of March we celebrated **Engineers' Week**. The 4th class girls were treated to a presentation on engineering by one of our parents, Dermot Collins, who is very encouraging of girls and women in the field of engineering. Some of our 3rd class girls had a talk from Caitriona dePaor, a TUD lecturer, organised by another of our parents, Christine Fleming. Many of the pupils in the school spent the week engaging in engineering and construction based projects. Miss Flood and Miss O'Grady's 3rd class girls had their **Science Blast** projects judged via zoom this week and blew the judges away with their scientific research and knowledgeable presentations. Well done girls!



Seachtain na Gaeilge ran from 1-17 March, giving the girls ample opportunity to practice their Irish. It is always a pleasure to hear the girls greet the teachers "as Gaeilge" when they arrive into school in the mornings, and they were delighted to put their Irish to good use over the last couple of weeks with board games, scavenger hunts, poems and songs - and even some Céilí dancing!





Last week we marked **Culture Week** by celebrating the many different cultures which are represented in our school community. The girls presented projects on different cultures, learned about traditions from around the world and enjoyed tasting food from different countries. It was a pleasure to invite some of our parents into the school during the week to read stories for the girls from their own cultures. March 16th was **Culture Day**, and the school was

awash with colour as the girls arrived to school dressed in costumes and colours representing their own, and other, cultural heritages.



The 6th class corridor has become a catwalk over the last few weeks as the girls have been involved in a **Junk Kouture** project. The task was to design, create and model fashion using recycled materials - and the girls certainly showed their creativity, using old school books, sheets, tinfoil, cardboard, newspapers, tissue boxes and even sweet wrappers to design some fabulous pieces! As well as modelling their creations, the girls wrote a commentary on the design process and made videos which will feature in the upcoming edition of **Writing Wonders**, the Pupils' Council literary showcase. Keep an eye on our website www.scoilphadraiccailini.ie, where the latest edition of Writing Wonders will be published soon.

