



HALLOWEEN 2025

# St. Anne's News



## Let's Have Fun!!

Lots of our Junior Pupils enjoyed a sensory play session with MAIA Purposeful Play. We experienced lots of play materials in new, fun ways and got the opportunity to play with our friends.



## FULL STEAM AHEAD

We have got off to great start this year with STEAM challenges and lots of classes using the STEAM Kits weekly to expand our creativity and problem solving skills.

Our pupils have had a busy start with lots of exciting projects kicking off already for this school year. We welcomed new pupils and staff to our school this September; we hope they have settled in well.

A new programme saw some of our LCA pupils involved in a rowing initiative with Rowing Ireland called 'get going, get rowing'. Our pupils and staff have been trained up to deliver coaching for our pupils and our rowing club on Fridays has been a great success for the classes taking part.

In the coming months some of our pupils will have the opportunity to experience GAA and Football FAI training workshops too.



## School Choir

We are delighted to be back to choir every Wednesday in the hall. We are revising our favourite songs, singing and using lámh signs. We have two new songs - Giants and Golden. A small group from the choir are attending Peace Proms this year. We received our new songs and dance moves and we love them! We have our workshop in November in UL. We look forward to the big day in March!





## Active Flag

We were awarded the Active Flag this year- Well Done to all involved!! Our committee have enjoyed some celebrations and have started work planning for lots of activities this year already including:

### 'Skip Around the World'

which encourages pupils to build a short skipping break into their daily routines, across the 3 weeks of the challenge.

Active Walkway: some classes looked for shapes as part of our active walkway route for maths week. Walk a Mile with a Smile: Some of our classes are engaging in a daily and weekly walk a mile with a smile. pupils have had great fun chatting, 'miling and smiling'!

Swimming has started back this year for some of our classes. Pupils continue to enjoy the swimming lessons in Shannon leisure centre on Mondays.



## Youth Club!

Last week we had a brilliant first Youth Club for this year. Everyone enjoyed bowling, the chats and some food with their friends, while looking very cool!!



## Halloween Story Telling

Some of our Classes enjoyed Halloween story telling session by Ruth in Clare Museum. She explained some Halloween customs and we got to explore some of the games including Snap Bun!





The Daffodil Class have settled in really well to their new class. We welcomed two new students to our class. We have been working very hard everyday and having lots of fun. We love circle-time and group work activities. We have enjoyed Maths, learning about shapes and making our own patterns. We have really enjoyed learning new poems and listening to new stories - we love acting them out. We went on a fabulous outing to the Pumpkin Patch in Galway and had a great day. We love getting out for walks, sometimes going to the shop or for a nature walk. We are looking forward to our Halloween Party on Friday.



Welcome to Bluebell Class!  
We have had a fun-filled half term packed with exciting activities - from lovely walks and delicious baking sessions to two wonderful birthday celebrations. We even squeezed in some adventures to Dunnes - it's been a joyful few weeks of learning, laughter, and making memories!



Sycamore Class has had a wonderful start to the year and has settled in really well. We've enjoyed a wide variety of exciting learning experiences, including music, horticulture, cookery, coding, and much more! One of our highlights so far was our fantastic trip to Coole Park. We also had great fun during Maths Week, learning about collecting and presenting data and creating our own cool maths hats!



Rowan Class have settled really well. We welcomed Siobhan to St. Anne's and she is a fabulous addition to our class. We are enjoying lots of activities and working really hard. We enjoyed an outing to Coole Park and to the Pumpkin Patch in Ardahan. We had a great time at both.



Daisy class have really enjoyed settling into their new classroom and making new friends. Everyone is working really hard especially in the areas of literacy, numeracy and personal care. We have enjoyed a number of outings this half term including trips to the Fair Green playground, local cafes, the library, Funkidz Klub and even a very special trip to the Galway Pumpkin Patch. We are all really looking forward to our well deserved mid term break.



The Hawthorn class have hit the ground running, we've done loads of art, STEM and we've been learning to row on the machines!!

It's going to be a great year!!



Poppy Class had a very enjoyable first term. The highlight was undoubtedly the School trip to Coole park, followed by a delicious lunch in the Lady Gregory Hotel. We also really enjoyed the new rowing machines.

Jasmine Class had a fantastic time on their trip to the pumpkin patch in Galway! Everyone really enjoyed exploring the pumpkins and getting into the spooky spirit. Happy Halloween, everyone!



The Lily Class has had a great start to the school year! We have settled into routine and are working really hard, trying our best! We have loved doing Autumnal Art, going for walks in the community, eating out in the Cafe, exercising with the new rowing machines horticulture activities and our favourite time of the day is circle time where we read stories and sing songs as a class. The highlight of the term was our class trip to Coole Park. We had great fun!



Heather Class have had a great first term. We have been preparing for Halloween. Some children went horse riding and we had lots of fun with sensory play in the hall. They have been doing lots of music this year and love practising for Peace Proms.

Ash Class had a great start to the year - we enjoyed trips to Coole Park, Town and the Museum as well as lots of art, swimming, cookery and gardening.

