



St John's Catholic Primary School



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St John's Celebrates St. John Bosco



We must say a big 'thank you' to both the School Council and Mr Pryce for their input into today's Talent Show. The money raised will go towards the work of the Catholic Children's Society. We will be able to give you the actual amount raised soon.

McAleer and Rush and a 'Bug Hotel'



At last week's assembly, Kelly Southion, the Community Engagement Officer and Jamie Cassidy, Project Manager, from McAleer and Rush who are building the development of flats behind the church, presented a powerpoint of information of how building contractors are taking steps to adopt responsible practices in the construction industry to help protect the environment.

They have set the children of Years 3-6 a challenge. They have asked the children to design a bright, bold and brilliant 'Bug Hotel'. McAleer and Rush will provide the materials and build the winning design at a place of our choosing on our site.

St John's Eco Team



This competition is being promoted by our Eco Team, who were presented with their badges by Kelly and Jamie during their visit.

School Uniform Policy



By choosing to send your child to St. John's, you agree to comply with the school's uniform policy. I am delighted to see that so many of you have made some adjustments and we are seeing more children wearing the 'right' uniform.

Please be assured that our Governing Body are reviewing our policy in line with the Department of Education's expectations of ensuring school specific items are kept to a minimum in order to keep uniform affordable for all.

Please continue to make sure your child is wearing the correct school uniform clearly marked with their name, this includes:

- Navy-blue coat
- Black leather type school shoes
- School tie
- Navy blue jumper/cardigan with the school crest

Encouraging your child to look after their own belongings, particularly jumpers and cardigans will help us all.



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Year 5 – Titanic, The Exhibition

Year 5 got to visit Titanic, The Exhibition at Canada Water, which not only displays many historic items from the past, but through an audio narrative took the children back in time to 1912 to look at photographs, handwritten letters, keepsakes and belongings from those on board.



The children got to peek inside a life-sized cabin in which the third class passengers would have slept. Accommodation was certainly compact!



The children's favourite exhibit was the ice wall in which they could press their hands to experience the icy conditions faced by those on board.

The Presentation of Jesus at the Temple

The children in Reception and Nursery Class listened to the telling of the story of how Mary and Joseph took the baby Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem as was the custom for them at that time. Whilst they were there they met Simeon and Anna, the first people who recognised what a special child this was.



In these pictures you can see Mary with Joseph and the baby Jesus. In the picture above you can also see Anna and Simeon. Mary and Joseph brought two white doves with them because they were too poor to bring a lamb.

