



A Message From Our Principal



Dia dhaoibh a cháirde,
A big thank you to all of the pupils, staff and parents that make our school such a wonderful community. There is a great energy, enthusiasm, happiness and a lovely positive atmosphere around our school.

Our new Junior Infants are doing amazing work and have really settled in to school life here in St. Anthony's BNS. Well done to everyone in this first term and keep up the great work.

Enjoy our Halloween edition of 'Scoil ANTONES' as it gives you a flavour of some of the lovely activities, events and teaching & learning opportunities taking place daily in our school.

Thank you to all of the boys who contributed to it. I wish the whole school community a very enjoyable, safe and Spooktacular Halloween break. Thank you for all of your cooperation and support. Le gach dea-ghuí,
Seán & Foireann na Scoile.

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THE ENORMOUS TURNIP

Junior Infants were living the fairy tale when they visited the Ballinlough Community Garden to harvest the maybe not-so-enormous turnip. They enjoyed seeing all the fruits, vegetables and herbs grown in the garden. We are lucky to have such a wonderful resource beside our school.



Student Spotlight

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

How were you feeling?

Excited!

Who did you meet?

Dev, Matthew and Ms Hurley

What did you do?

Playing and listening to a story

What game did you play in the yard?

Running around and playing games

Was there anything that surprised you about school?

It was fun

What do you like most about school?

The yard.

What are you dressing up at for Halloween?

Jack Skeleton

Zombie Walk

The Parents Association's Zombie Walk fundraiser was a spook-tacular success! Check out some thrilling photos from the event below—and head to page 15 for even more frightful fun!



MÉ FÉIN

Scríofa Ag Ruben, Rang a Trí

Is mise Ruben. Buachaill óg is ea mé. Tá mé naoi mbliana d'aois. Tá mo bhreithlá i mí Méan Fomhair. Tá conaí orm ar imeall na cathrach i gCorcaigh. Tá mo chuid gruaige donn agus t dath gorma ar mo shúile.

Tá cuigear agam i mo chlann. Táim ag freastal ar scoil Antoin Naofa. Tá an scoil suite i mBaile Locha. Táim i rang a trí faoi láthair. Tá múinteoir nua agam. Mr Moylan is ainm dó. Is maith liom scoil ach is fearr liom na laethanta saoire.



SPRINGING INTO ACTION

The Junior Infants, with a little help from their 4th Class reading buddies, had fun planting daffodil bulbs around the front of the school. There will be a 'host of golden daffodils' brightening up the lawn in Spring!



New Kids on the Block

We're thrilled to introduce the talented Junior Infants, our newest and brightest stars! Their smiley faces can now be seen lighting up the halls, and their cheerful voices fill the air, bringing new energy and excitement to St Anthony's. We are so happy to have them as part of our school. Welcome one and all—we can't wait to see all the wonderful things you'll do this year!



Ms Griffin's Class



Mrs Hurley's Class



Ms MacCurtain's Class

Space: The Final Frontier

Daithí was thinking outside the box, the lunch box, that is, when it came to devising a plan for his assignment about space this term. Here is an extract from his informative and entertaining project, How to Eat in Space!



HOW TO EAT IN SPACE

Written by Daithí, 2nd Class

To stop food floating away, food packs are stuck to trays with velcro tape and magnets. You need scissors or you go hungry - to open the packs.

Straws are not just for juice but also for soup.

You have to strap into your seat so you don't float off! Salt is in water and pepper is in oil, no crumbs allowed!



Rocket by Darragh, Junior Infants

Kindness Matters



BARKING BRAVE

At the end of October 2 courageous members of staff abseiled down the side of Thomond Park. Why you may ask? To raise much-needed funds for the charity, My Canine Companion. This incredible charity trained Kali and continues to train therapy dogs for schools and families. This organisation plays a vital role in helping children with autism reach their full potential through the support of their specially trained dogs. provides and trains therapy dogs for families and schools.

Combined Carmel and Chris raised a fantastic €1, 230!

Caption Contest

Speaking of our favourite furry friend, My Canine Companion Kali was captured in the adorable photos below. Think you've got the perfect funny caption to match her expressions? Share it with us—we're all ears (just like Kali)! Entries to elaine.crean@stanthonys.ie



Sporting Prowess



SCIATH NA SCOL FOOTBALL

Written by Tom, 5th Class

We started training in September for the Sciath na Scol tournament. There are 25 boys on the squad. We train in the park every week. We have played against Carrigaline, Gael Scoil na Duglasie, Beaumont and Crosshaven. We will be competing in the final against Crosshaven again on November. We are all excited and a bit nervous.

Anthony's Abú!



Sciath na Scol match against Carrigaline, photos by Tadhg, 3rd Class

Gaelic Football tournament in Pairc Uí Caoimh by Ali & Darragh, 3rd Class

Autumn Art



Sonny, 3rd Class



Ollie, 5th Class



Luke, 5th Class



Cian, 3rd Class



Rory, 6th Class



Sam, 5th Class, with a scary appearance of Mr Hoc!!

Home and Away



Spooky Trail in the park



In the stocks!



Meeting from the K-9 Unit

Ms Dunlea & Ms O'Connell's Classes have been off on many an adventure this term. From kissing the Blarney stone to visiting Douglas library to cooking up a storm. School days are the best days!



Spooky Halloween treats.



Kissing the Blarney Stone



Pumpkin bowling



Visiting the library

Sporting Prowess

COMMUNITY LEADER

Written by Finn, 3rd Class



Early last summer I took part in three local community games events organised by Tony Healy and the Ballinlough Community Games committee.

I qualified for the national finals in swimming and art. I came third in the swimming freestyle in Kilkenny and also got a prize for coming 4th in the art competition in Carlow. I took part in the athletics community games and qualified for the county finals and came 2nd in the sprint and 3rd in the mixed relay finals.

I really enjoyed taking part in these community game events. I would like to thank all the local volunteers who helped us all to have these wonderful experiences. I had so much fun! A special thank you to Tony Healy and Judith Harper for all their hard efforts! Thanks to St Anthony's School for supporting us all too.

NEWEST RECRUIT

Written by Eoghan, 5th Class

I play soccer with Douglas Hall. At the start of October I was invited to try out for the Cork School Boys League Team. I went with my Dad. I was feeling nervous but excited too. We did a bit of training and then we played a match. A couple of weeks later my Dad got a text to say I made it on to the team. I was over the moon! We train every Sunday in Mahon.

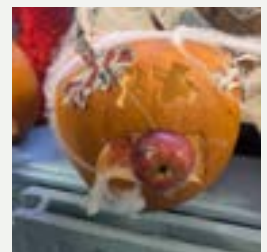


The Great St Anthony's Carve Off!



PUMPKIN CARVING COMPETITION

Scary pumpkins have been haunting the main corridor of St. Anthony's this week, and some were truly gruesome! Well done to all the boys who took part. Here are a selection of the entrants, more can be seen on our facebook page.



Shining Lights!



SCHOOL TURNS INTO A NORTHERN LIGHTS VIEWING SPOT!

Thanks to Ciara & Ruairí, Jamie & Sam's parents for this spectacular photograph taken of the extremely rare sight of the aurora borealis, Northern Lights, over St Anthony's. A truly awesome sight!



CARVING UP SMILES

James and Ethan in Ms Hurley's Junior Infants were very creative with their entry in the school pumpkin competition.



MUSICAL MAESTROS

Congratulations to David & Brehon who were awarded awards for outstanding achievement in musicianship and piano at the School of Music.

Safe Cross Code..

Mrs. Hurley's Junior Infant class proudly donned their high-vis vests, which will be invaluable for keeping them safe and seen in the coming months.



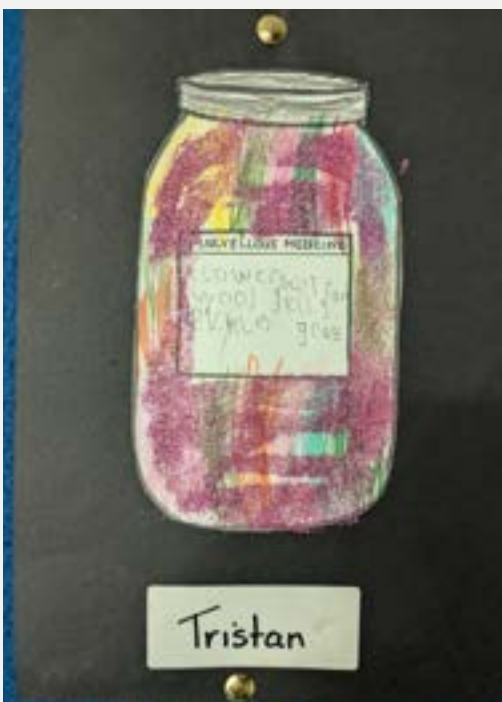
KNOW THE CODE!

During National Road Safety Awareness Week, which began on Monday, 7th October, Junior Infants, Senior Infants, and Third Class were all provided with high-vis vests to enhance their visibility and safety. As part of the week's activities, Roseanna from the Road Safety Authority visited Senior Infants, First Class, Third Class, and Fifth Class, offering important lessons on how to stay safe on the roads.

Staff and parents joined forces to raise awareness about the importance of road safety around our school, ensuring a safer environment for all students and families.



Creative Writing



Tristan & Finn, 1st Class

SPOOKY TRAIL



Mr Cussen's 4th Class paired with their reading buddies from Ms MacCurtain's Junior Infants



Ms Lynch's enthusiastic scavenger hunters.



The boys had a great time exploring a spooky trail and participating in a scavenger hunt at the Japanese Gardens in the lead-up to Halloween. Some classes teamed up with their reading buddies to work together in finding the hidden spooky decorations.



Mr Lucey's Class taking a break during their Spooky Trail.

Halloween PA newsletter

A busy 2 months for the Parents association with 5 events -- our Junior Infant Coffee morning, Preloved uniform sale, room 18/19 parent coffee morning, AGM and our Zombie Walk Fundraiser. A huge thank you to all the parents who have helped out to date - from welcoming new parents; sorting/selling uniforms; helping with Road Safety week; making tea/coffee at different events; buying sweets, treats & prizes for the boys and even dressing up as ghosts for our zombie walk launch!! You are all legends by helping support your fellow parents as well as creating so many fun memories for our boys!! Thank you also for supporting our Zombie walk Fundraiser which will fund all our events for 2024/2025 - much appreciated. Lots more fun to come as we start planning our Christmas events after midterm - please consider helping out where you can.

Your 2024/2025 PA committee - Máire, Dawn, Aoife & Kate

Looking to get more involved in the PA??

- * Could you help plan any of our upcoming events??
- * Do you have good ideas for fun events for our boys??
- * Could you help out behind the scenes??
- * Would you like to become a rep or active PA member??
- * Can you help out at an event on the day or night before??

Chat to your class rep, keep an eye on class messages for event signups or email us at stanthonypa@gmail.com



Zombie Walk



Ghouls & Ghosts



Kali's Corner



GRADUATION NUMBER 2

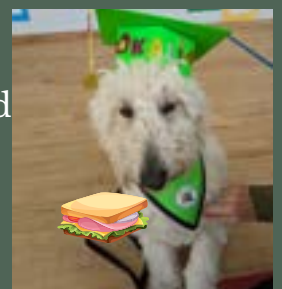
Written by My Canine Companion Kali

Paws up for the newest batch of canine graduates! It was a tail-wagging good time at the Radisson Blu, Little Island for My Canine Companion School Therapy Dog graduation ceremony. Along with my four legged friends, we received our diplomas (and plenty of belly rubs) for completing our training. From fetching smiles to offering a paw in tough times, we dogs are ready to make our schools a little brighter, one wag at a time!



Opps! I Did it Again.....

Yes, the rumours are true, I did pilfer Mr Lyon's ham sandwiches, well, really it was just the one, I'm not monster! He really needs to find a safer spot to store his lunch!



Sláir agus beannacht!



GO RAIBH MÍLE
MAITH AGAT!

Sincere thanks to all who contributed to this issue. We wouldn't have a newsletter without you!

CALLING ALL BUDDING
JOURNALISTS!

Do you have a story idea you think parents and students would like to read? Why not write a draft, hand it up to your teacher and you too could be in the next issue!



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www.stanthonys.ie