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Positive Ageing Week

The children enjoyed many activities in Positive Ageing Week. Several classes were visited by members of the Active Retirement group, regaling tales of when they were in school, and the comparisons between the eras. 4th and 5th class entered an essay competition on people who are important to us. Beverley Lynch (5th) came top of her class, whilst Martin Brown did remarkably well to come third overall in the whole competition. 5th class are currently involved in sewing classes with Mrs. Cogavin, which they are enjoying immensely. Many thanks to all involved, particularly the Active Retirement Group. The retirement group are also getting technological with their computer classes with Mr. Pienaar, sponsored by Intel. Looking forward to seeing new Facebook accounts and the like!!

Just One Special Day

During the summer holidays, I went on a day trip with my Nana to my Grand Uncle's house in Kilbarrack in Dublin. We went up in the car and on the way, we listened to some traditional music. I really enjoyed this and I loved the music. When we got there, he was delighted to see me. We decided to go for a trip on the DART, It was great. We arrived in Howth. It was a lovely sunny day and

lots of seagulls were flying around. We walked along the pier where I saw huge fishing boats all different colours; red, blue and yellow. It was really good. My Nana and I collected lots of shells. My Nana told me how she used to walk along this beach years ago, and I knew that she loved this. We got ice-creams because it was really hot. On the way

back in the train, my Grand Uncle Willie told me that he used to work on the trains from Dublin to Belfast. I really enjoyed listening to his memories from the past. I had a brilliant day. I think they really liked showing me what they used to do when they were younger. I am so lucky to have people like them.

By Martin Brown



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Celebrations Galore!

Kildalkey NS recently joined in the parish's

celebrations when they greeted the victorious hurling team to the school. The school was awash with colour as all classes decked out in blue and white jubilantly cheered on their heroes. Manager Pat O'Halloran



and team captain Mairtín Doran gave rousing speeches to the classes encouraging them to keep working hard at everything in life. Here's to next year's three in a row!



Cumann na mBunscoil

Kildalkey NS is currently being served proudly by its football teams. Both the girls and the boys have progressed from their respec-

tive groups and are eyeing places in November's finals. The girls battled their way through the group, defeating fine sides from Gaelscoil Thulach Mór and Gaelscoil na Bóinne in particular.

The boys had several good wins before defeating Ballivor in a tough local derby. The best of luck to both teams in their quarter and semi finals. A sincere thanks to all those who have supported and helped both teams throughout the year.

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School Garden

Our school garden is being beautifully maintained by Miss Kerrie Lynch and



her third class again this year. They are also growing a vegetable patch this year with assistance from Pdraig Sweeney. This will grow new vegetables all year round and hopefully add to the already



green fingers of our third class! Many thanks also to Fr. Murtagh for the sharing of the polytunnel.



into designing and completing the murals. Míle buíochas!

Our New Murals

Students in school 2 were greeted on their arrival back to the school by brand new murals painted on the walls. Showing beautiful colour

and talented designs, the murals were completed by Mrs. Ruth Dowling. The school and the children really appreciate the hard work that went



Goodbye, Miss Susan McAndrew

Miss Susan McAndrew has left us this year to return to her native Mayo. Having joined us four years ago in 2006, all teachers, parents and students alike were sorry to see her leave. A



hard working teacher, who put 100% into all her efforts in the school, she will be greatly missed. All staff wish her all the best in the future and we look forward to seeing Miss McAndrew at another juncture in our lives (possibly seeing her in Croke Park seeing her beloved Mayo finally claim Sam). In her place, we are delighted to welcome back Miss Grace O'Sullivan and look forward to working with her once again.



Book Fair

This year, the book fair will again make in appearance in the school on Friday, November 12th. This will provide welcome opportunities for children and adults alike to peruse the books on view and select old favourites or new modern tales. With a big selection of books to choose from, all classes will have opportunities to select books that interest them. Remember: computer games and the like become outdated after time - books stay priceless forever.



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Our Dancing Queens!



recently been engag-

Our infants and first classes have been performing many types of dances, including both modern and

Irish. It won't be long before Kildalkey is represented on reality tv programmes by our dancers!!

