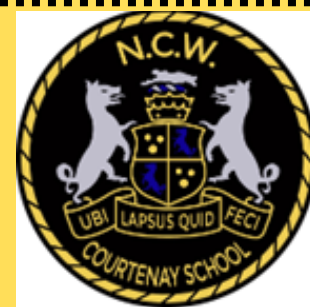


Newsletter, October 13th, 2024

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Principal: Laura Horgan

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Hallowe'en & Mid-Term

- **October 25th - Full School Day**
- **Non Uniform Day - You child may take part in the Hallowe'en Fancy Dress Costume if you wish**
- **Mid-Term Break - Monday, October 28th - Monday, November 4th**

After School Activities

Time: 2.15pm-3.00pm

- **Monday - Tag Rugby for 5th & 6th**
- **Tuesday - Soccer for 3rd & 4th**
- **Wednesday - Courtenay Chess Club**
- **Thursday - Gaelic Football 5th & 6th**

QUIZ TIME

COURTENAY N.S. PARENTS ASSOCIATION QUIZ NIGHT

Friday, November 15th @8.00pm, in Ballintemple Inn, Newcastle West

See poster attached for more details!!

Beginning of Year School Mass

On Wednesday, we walked to the Church for our annual Beginning of Year School Mass. Fr. Cussen celebrated a beautiful Mass, with the children actively participating, filling the church with their prayers and singing accompanied by our talented musicians under the musical direction of Mrs. Brosnan.

Our Beginning of Year Mass is always a special celebration, setting us off on a positive and spiritual note for the school year ahead.

Míle Búiochas to Fr. Cussen, and all the parishioners who celebrated the Mass with us, complimenting the children on their sweet singing voices and engagement in the Mass. Well done to all our Courtenay children.

Creative Writing Workshop

On Thursday, 5th and 6th class visited the Newcastle West Library and participated in a creative writing workshop with Limerick author Helena Close. The boys brought their favourite books to the workshop, engaged in conversation about the characters and plots, wrote their own stories with Helena and read them aloud.



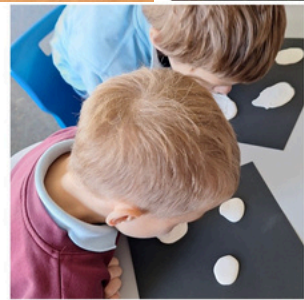
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The Outdoor Classroom

The boys from the Ash Room enjoyed an Autumn nature walk through the Demesne, collecting leaves, conkers, and discovering other signs of the changing season.

The Olive Room Class visited the local castle, exploring historical sites in the town. They are also gearing up for Hallowe'en, making spooky masks and ghosts in class.

Both the Ash and Olive Classes explored the forces of push and pull in science, using the tunnels in the courtyard for hands-on experiments. Great fun and learning was had by all!!



Courtenay Cúinne

Ar an Déardaoin seo caite, chuaigh mé go dtí an leabarlann. Ar dtús, chuala mé scéatla ón údar Helena. Ansin, scríobh mé mo scéal féin agus léigh mé é. Tar éis sin tháinig mé ar ais ar scoil. Bhí an-lá agam.