

# Drumbaragh School Newsletter Halloween 2023



## Principal's News

With the new school year well underway and everyone working so hard it is understandable that we are all looking forward to our well-earned midterm break!! We have been busy getting to know our fifteen fantastic new infants, creating spectacular spooky artwork, forming our new Student Council, and planning our Witches Walk costumes, ....all while Ms Clarke has been getting a crash course in just how competitive Meath Football is...at Primary School Level!!!!



## Welcome Junior Infants



We are delighted to welcome, Lily, Isla, Ava-Kate, Luke, Michael, Cillian, Daire, Oisin, Clodagh, Amelia, Michalina, Mikey, Tyler, Molly, and Lucy.



# Student Council

*Our Student council did fantastic work around the school last year, with the lower entrance sign and flower boxes the wonderful fruits of their labour. This year I am delighted to welcome to our council:*

- ❖ Robert Griffin & Jasmin Mullins – Third Class Representatives
- ❖ Pauric Murray & Lucy Jarratt - Fourth Class Representatives
- ❖ Lola Campbell & Daithi Byrne - Fifth Class Representatives
- ❖ Naoise Muldoon & Joshua Squires – Sixth Class Representatives

*Our new council have had their first meeting with brilliant ideas for improving our school discussed. The agreed targets for this year are to markout the top yard with playground games, establish a school chess club, and purchase picnic benches for outside Mrs Prunty's room. The fundraising ideas are pretty impressive too, with The Great Drumbaragh Bake-off coming your way in November 2023!!!*

## Spectacular Spooky Art



A decorative border of pumpkins surrounds the entire page. Two GAA footballs are placed at the top left and top right corners.

# Sport

It has been a busy two months in Drumbaragh School with Cumann na mBunscol football ..

## Boys Football

- ❖ This year's boys football campaign was one of brilliance, heartbreak, and renewed determinations!!
- ❖ Things got off to a challenging start with our first game away to Kill National School who are always worthy opponents, we had not quite found our winning formula that day, but something in our boys play in the second half was a sign of what was to come.
- ❖ Next up was Mulhussey at home in Drumbaragh in a game that was the gamechanger!!! Mulhussey were strong from the off and only got stronger when their star player made his appearance on the pitch ten minutes in, when I heard he had come straight from the orthodontist I knew things were about to get serious. Our team had the wind and a commanding lead in first half but as coach Jimmy wisely cautioned that means nothing, the second half was a different story. Mulhussey hit fifth gear and were relentless in attack whittling away our lead, a timely first aid break accompanied by words of wisdom from coach was all our team needed to respond with two stunning goals to defeat the great Mulhussey. Our marvelous victory would quickly become the talk of Division Five Coaches on whatsapp groups,.. Drumbaragh were a side to reckon with!!
- ❖ Impressive wins over Castlejordan and Rathmore would follow to see our boys finishing second place within the group facing Kilskyre in the Quarter Finals.
- ❖ Kilskyre were excellent but so were we, our players battled every minute of play against a really strong side. While getting knocked out was heartbreaking I know our boys are already looking forward to getting another crack at them next year (when half their team has left for secondary school, he he!!).
- ❖ Well done to our boys team who got a little help from Brianna & ÉabhaMae for an excellent campaign in this years Cumann na mBunscol, we are so proud of you!!



## Girls Football

- ❖ Our girls had a different road to their quarter final , they started taking care of business from the off with comprehensive wins over Kilskyre, Ballinlough, and Moylagh before their final group game against Ballinacree. What a clash of the titans this turned out to be!
- ❖ Ballinacree had barely their engines turned off before announcing they were defending champions, but thankfully our girls were too busy convincing Molly this was not the game to start wearing gloves in case it jinxed us, to even care about such intimidation tactics!! Ballinacree were a force to be reckoned with, throwing everything at our girls including the occasional elbow, but our girls held their own coming away with a draw on the day setting themselves up for a quarter final with Kilbeg.
- ❖ What a quarter final this would be, Kilbeg were strong but when they went a goal and a point up, no Drumbaragh heads went down our girls simply battled back and responded with a goal and a point to put both sides even at half time. The second half was nail biting but our girls really moved up a gear, they were an impressive side to watch as they defended and attacked seamlessly. Our trusty lines men Ciarán and Charlie brought some much-needed comic relief with their rendition of Miley Cyrus's Wrecking Ball when EabhaMae was sent flying, and when the final whistle blew there was tears on both sides of joy and despair. Our girls are deservedly through to the semi finals!!





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Too Cute Ladies!!



Lola & Kayla,  
love it girls!



They are far more terrifying in football  
jerseys!!!



Excellent Tee Isabelle!!



The Chavtastic  
Bri & E.M.C