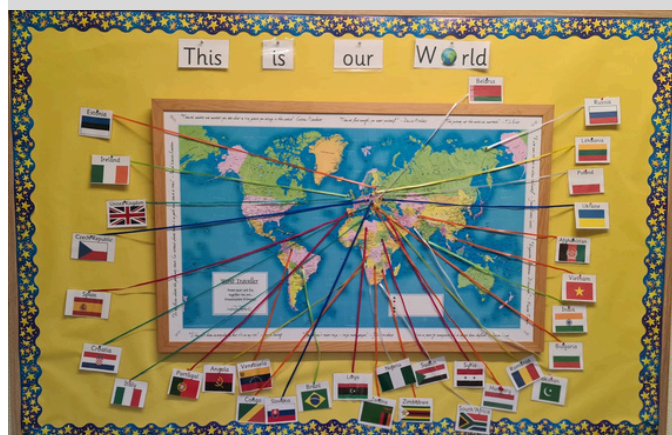




# THE PREZ PRESENTS....

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Hello everyone & welcome to the first edition of our new newsletter - "The Prez Presents".

Congratulations to Ms McKenna's class who came up with this catchy title. The Prez Presents will be bringing you all the latest news and events happening in our school. So, if you have some interesting ideas or topics you would like to share, get talking to your teacher.

Well done to Amanda in Ms Fortune's class whose artwork features in this edition. Happy reading!


Mrs O'Mara



## Dates to remember

 **FEBRUARY 20TH & 21ST**  
Midterm - school closed.

 **FEBRUARY MON 24TH**  
Staff Training - school closed.

 **MARCH 17TH & 18TH**  
St Patricks - school closed.

 **APRIL FRI 11TH**  
**EASTER HOLIDAYS**  
Early closing @ 12:10

 **APRIL MON 28TH**  
School re-opens



We are all looking forward to brighter and longer days but in the meantime please ensure your child has their coat with them every day.

This month we want to tell you a little about what's going on in our school right now.

We all enjoyed seeing (& some of us got to play a part!) in Red Kettle's performance of How to Steal the World!

- Junior & Senior Infants & the Language Class 1 are enjoying gymnastics. Junior Infants are enjoying balance bikes for 2 weeks & after midterm the others will get their turn.
- 1st & 2nd Class will be going to visit the local library on Paddy Brown's Road soon. They will also be starting their swimming lessons.
- 3rd Class & the Language Class 2 enjoyed performing in the Peace Proms choir in the SETU arena & in the school hall.
- 4th Class are finishing up swimming & are also enjoying weekly ukulele.
- 5th Class are enjoying a weekly session with Bernie the Meaningful Múinteoir.
- 6th Class, as part of a sustainability initiative, will be planting trees on the SETU campus.

Read lots more at [www.presentationprimarywaterford.ie](http://www.presentationprimarywaterford.ie) or scan the QR code on the other side.



## We are a School of Sanctuary!

In February 2024, we became the first primary school in Waterford to be recognised as a School of Sanctuary. A school of sanctuary is a place that is safe, welcoming and inclusive for all, but especially for those who are seeking refuge, or those that are most in need. We are so proud of our wonderful school community! Last year, the visitors to our school commented on the wonderful atmosphere we have created and how truly special our students are!

We were delighted to be invited to TU Dublin this February to receive our award. It was a very special day for our school community. Ten of our student ambassadors travelled with Mrs O'Mara and Ms. Duke to this special ceremony, where we were officially awarded our Champion School of Sanctuary Status.

Our student ambassadors shared our school's journey through poetry, alongside one other primary school & eight secondary schools! They were delighted to meet Aishah Akeorede who commended the girls on their brilliant presentation and their wonderful attitude.

What do you call a monkey at the North Pole?

Lost.

Why did the pony ask for a glass of water?

Because it was a little horse.

Why shouldn't you trust trees?

They seem shady.



You're driving a city bus.

At the first stop, 3 women get on. At the second stop, 1 woman gets off and a man gets on. At the third stop, 2 children get on.

The bus is blue and it's raining outside.

What colour is the bus driver's hair?

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Remember to send back in your empty plastic lunch boxes every day. Thursdays @ 4pm is the last chance to change your lunch order for the following week.



## Working hard for 8th Green Schools Flag

We are hoping to achieve our 8th Green Schools flag – Global Citizenship Marine Environment this year. The deadline for our application is Friday the 28th March. Our Green Schools Committee members from 3rd to 6th class are Holly, Hollie, Aisling, Amelia, Annie, Ava, Lina, Rasa, Lucy, Emily, Katie, Anna & Maya. We are all eagerly awaiting a visit from Waterford Council when we will showcase some of the great initiatives and campaigns our committee have undertaken.

Recently the committee held a school assembly. During this assembly they spoke about the impacts of pollutants such as plastic have on our oceans. The committee also launched their Green Code and held a poster competition. The competition was a great success and saw a huge amount of entries. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who took part and congratulate all the winners.

We have many budding artists here in Presentation Primary school!



If you have changed your mobile number please update it on Aladdin or let the office know.

If your child is absent please record the reason.