



School Newsletter

Friday, 11th April 2025

What a wonderful second term we've had here at St Multose NS!

We've been making the most of the finer weather by getting the children outdoors at every opportunity. It's been great to see them enjoying nature, fresh air, and all the benefits that come with outdoor learning and play.

Please continue to send in raincoats with your child, as we will aim to head outside even if it's just a light drizzle. A bit of rain won't stop us from enjoying the great outdoors!

This week's news is from Ms Curtin's Class:

On Wednesday, we had engineers from Eli Lilly who came in and went through the renewable energies and fossil fuels and how transport affects the climate. We made paper airplanes. After that, we built boats and tested them. We put heavy weights on to see how much it could take. I enjoyed it and it was fun. (Adam 6th class)



Easter assembly.

On Thursday 4th, 5th, and 6th class did an Easter assembly. They did the Easter story for the rest of the school it went really well. Reverend Eugene really liked and asked if we could perform it on Sunday. (Fred, 6th Class)



Ms Fitzgerald's class is currently learning all about the **Garden Centre** as part of Aistear. The children have been fully immersed in role play, planting, and exploring the world around them. As part of their learning, they recently went on a **minibeast hunt**—a fun and fascinating way to discover the tiny creatures that live in our gardens!

Well done to all the little explorers!



A wiggly worm!

More photographs of the minibeast hunt!





This week, we were delighted to be presented with a certificate from Kinsale Tidy Towns in recognition of all the fantastic work our children have done over the past year as part of the initiative. We also received a beautiful red currant plant from SuperValu as a thank you—and we're looking forward to watching it grow in our school garden! Keep an eye out—the children's photo might appear in SuperValu in the coming weeks!



We had an Easter Egg Hunt for all the children on Thursday, and it was a big hit! There was plenty of chocolate consumed, lots of excitement, and smiles all around the school. A lovely way to celebrate before the holidays—thank you to everyone who helped make it such fun!



A huge congratulations to our Readathon winners: Lottie, Lily, Daniel, Abigail, and Darcey! 🐛 Well done to each of you for reading all those books and showing such dedication and enthusiasm for reading. You're all amazing readers, and we're so proud of your hard work!

Breakfast Club

Sue O'Riordan, one of our SNAs facilitates Breakfast Club on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 8am. If you are interested in sending your child to Breakfast Club, please contact Sue on 087 8525798.

After School Club

After School runs Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1:30pm – 5:30pm. If you are interested in sending your child to After School Club, please contact Margaret on 087 9773348.

Policies reviewed by the Board of Management

The following policies were reviewed by the Board of Management on Wednesday.

- Child Protection Statement
- Maths Plan – to incorporate the new Maths Curriculum which will be formally implemented in the 2025-2026 academic year.
- Procedures and Practices
- Home use of school owned assistive technology policy

Looking ahead to the Summer Term

We look forward to welcoming your children back to school on Monday, 28th April for the summer term. The summer term always brings a fresh energy — longer days, warmer weather, and usually some exciting events to look forward to. Here are a few things that will make the summer term extra special this year:

- 💰 **The Credit Union** will visit Ms Curtin's class on Tuesday, 29th April to talk to them about setting up a savings account and how to manage money wisely.
- 🌻 **Outdoor learning opportunities** – lessons outside, time spent in the polytunnel. We welcome Mary Barry from Heritage Schools who will facilitate a workshop on 'Our School Garden' with Ms Fitzgerald's class on Thursday, 1st May.
- 🌻 Monday, 5th May is a Bank Holiday – No school.
- 🛒🌻 Wednesday, 7th May – Síológa and 6th Class will set up their stall at Kinsale market to sell the school's produce from the polytunnel. Please call in and support if you are free!
- 🎭🎵 Our 6th Class pupils will go to see 'Oklahoma' the school musical in Bandon Grammar on Thursday, 8th May.
- 🎾 **Tennis lessons** continue. We have our final tennis lesson with Maria Bolster on Friday, 9th May.
- ❤️ 16th May – Half day to facilitate Teachers' Cineáltás Training Day. School closes at 12pm. The Bí Cineálta procedures are to prevent and address bullying behaviour for primary and post-primary schools, which will guide our school community to work together to prevent and address bullying behaviour in our school. These procedures are called "Bí Cineálta" which means "Be Kind". This is also part of our School Self Evaluation this year. I will be sending a questionnaire to parents very soon to gather data on this. We have already surveyed the school staff. We also hope to access the pupils' voice through focus groups which will be held during the summer term. Permission to participate will be sought from parents first.
- 🎓 **Transition programme** – Ms Hadden will facilitate a transition programme for our 6th Class leavers this term. This programme prepares them for secondary school.
- 📊✍️ Standardised tests will be administered during the week of **19th May**. We ask parents to **ensure full attendance** during this week, as it helps provide the most accurate and complete picture of each child's progress. Thank you for your support!
- 🕺 **Our School Disco is coming up on Friday, 23rd May**, and this year's theme is Flower Power! 🌸🌻 Get ready for a groovy evening of music, dancing, and colourful fun. The event is being organised by our wonderful Parents' Association, and we're so grateful for their time and effort in putting it all together. Children are encouraged to dress in bright colours and floral outfits

to match the theme! If you would like to **help out**, please let us know—we'd love to have your support! More details to follow—watch this space!

- 🏖️ **Beach Day** for 6th Class on Friday, 13th June
- 🚶👤🚲 We're excited to announce that **Active Week** will take place from **16th to 20th June!** Our teachers have lots of fun and engaging movement activities planned throughout the week, including a special **gymnastics day**, inspired by our most recent professional development training. We'll be encouraging **active travel**, giving children the opportunity to **teach a sport to their peers**, and enjoying a wide variety of ways to stay active and have fun. **Parents** – if you have a passion for a particular sport and would be interested in sharing your skills with the children, we'd love to hear from you! Your involvement can make the week even more memorable.
- 🏆 **Sports Day** is always a highlight of the school year, and this year it's scheduled for 16th June, weather permitting. The day promises friendly competition, teamwork, and plenty of fun for all involved. We warmly welcome parents to attend and join in the excitement—it's a great chance to support the children and even get involved in a few activities yourselves!
- 🛎️ **End of year service – Tuesday, 24th June at 11am.**



Wishing you all a joyful and peaceful Easter! May this season of renewal bring hope, happiness, and time to enjoy with loved ones. Let's continue to support and uplift each other as we celebrate this special time.

Happy Easter to all!