

# The Inch Times

## St. Brigid's Day at Inch School

February 2016

By 5th and 6th Class

St. Brigid's Day has returned to Inch School. It has a reputation for being a great time and this year was no different.

First of all, Mrs. Corry gave fifth and sixth a refresher on how to make their crosses. Once she had shown the class we made our own crosses. Fifth and sixth then went around helping the younger classes with making their crosses. All the crosses were a success and everyone had lots of fun making the crosses.

Some people may ask why we make crosses. Here is the story of why we make crosses.

Once upon a time, St Brigid was visiting a man at death's door. He wasn't Christian, so before he died Brigid picked up a few rushes off the ground and began weaving them into a cross. She explained the story of The Father, The Son and The Holy Spirit using the cross. He died believing in God. This is why we make crosses on St. Brigid's Day.



## Ash Wednesday

On Ash Wednesday we are blessed with a cross on our foreheads with ash. We also give up a bad habit because God gave up food for 40 days and nights.

Some people give up chocolate, sweets and fizzy drinks. Some people take on something like brushing their teeth and helping at home.



## Pancake Flipping in Inch



Pancake Tuesday came to Inch again. Every class had the chance to have pancakes. Every pupil brought in pancake batter and their favourite toppings. Fifth and sixth started their morning with making pancakes. Juniors and seniors also started their day with making pancakes. When the fifth and sixth were finished eating their pancakes, third and fourth went down to the hall for their pancakes. First and second were flipping pancakes in their class

room. It was a great day of pancake making and flipping. It was a very enjoyable day. A special thanks to Aoife Clancy, Ann Harvey and Ger Daly.



## St. Valentines Day at Inch School

Every February we celebrate Valentines Day. We give flowers and gifts to the people we love. We do this in tribute to St. Valentine. Here are some facts about him.

### St. Valentine

St. Valentine was a priest. He was around in the 3rd century. There was an Emperor around that time, who's name was Clau-

He decided that single men were the better soldiers than married men.

Valentines decided this law was unfair. So he decided to marry young couples secretly. When the Emperor Claudius II found out about Valentine's actions, he had him put to death. In honor of St. Valentine, we celebrate Valentines day.



## Sports at Inch National School

This month our school has been taking part in many sporting activities. The boys from 3rd and 4th played in an indoor hurling competition. Unfortunately the boys didn't make it in to the second round. However the girls from 3rd and 4th who were also joined by Leanne Healy from 5th won the first round. Then the girls won the first match in the second round and lost one match. We are very proud of all our hurlers who participated in the tournament.



In P.E Ronan Keane has been teaching us hurling skills. Pupils from 1st class up to 6th have been participating. We play games that involve the skill/skills we learn that week. Its great fun.



Miss O'Donaghue has been teaching pupils from 3rd up to 6th basketball. She teaches us skills and we play games. It is on a Tuesday and is on from 3 to 4. It is great fun and we would advise you to come.



Name:	Date:	Class:	Age:
Conor McDonald	7th	Seniors	6
Seán Kelly	22nd	Seniors	7
Jonah Wickham	24th	1st Class	7
Paul Clancy	26th	1st Class	7
Patrick Clancy	27th	2nd Class	9
Judith Egan	3rd	3rd Class	9
Coen Williams	28th	4th Class	10
Heather Scovell	15th	4th Class	10
Molly Mc Namara	7th	4th class	10
Leah Smith	7th	5th Class	11
Jenna Chapman	9th	5th Class	11

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY



# First Confessions

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*On Monday the 22nd of February 2nd class made their first confessions .There were 13 children making their first confessions. Pupils from 5th and 6th played the banjo, the guitar, concertina, fiddle and tin whistle .They also sang and it sounded beautiful.*

On the night they did their letters of love. Also they said their sins to Fr. Larkin and to Cannon Mc Loughlin. They all looked lovely on the night.



After the mass everybody went back to Mrs.Gleesons classroom for some refreshments and some goodies. Everyone had a great night.

# JOKES

**Why did the boy bring a ladder to school?  
Because he wanted to go to high school.**

**What goes up and down but doesn't move?  
Stairs**

**Where should the 500 pound alien go?  
On a diet.**

**My friend thinks he is smart. He said onions are  
the only food that make you cry so I threw a  
coconut at his face.**

**Why did the golfer bring a spare pair of socks?  
In case he got a hole in one!**

# Class Work

## Juniors + Seniors

Project about toys past and present.

Toy show and tell.

Children interviewed parents/grandparents about their favourite toys.

### Narrative Writing

We have written our own versions of Little Red Riding Hood and Cinderella.

Reading: Seniors are on their third reader and juniors have just finished their first.

Building Bridges : They are learning how to make Connections.

# Classwork

**First + Second**

**Maths**

**Algebra: Skip counting**

**Number: 1st: Adding and Subtracting Tens+Units**

**2nd: Subtracting 7s + Units with and without Renaming.**

**Irish: Caitheamh Aimsire.**

**Yard Games in Irish.**

**English: Instructional Writing .**

**History: Stories :Saint Bridget.**

**Indian tale :The Raja and the Rice.**

**Clothes in the past.**

**Art: Valentines Art.**

# CLASSWORK

Third + Fourth

English: Procedural and narrative writing.  
New poems and stories.

Irish: Caitheamh aimsire agus éadaí agus  
Siopadóireacht.

Music: They are learning Spancil Hill and Amhrán na  
bhFiann on the tin whistle and learning to sing  
Spancil Hill and Bruno Mars Uptown Funk in Irish.

Maths: Decimals, weight, fractions ,multiplication 4th  
class learned how to do long multiplication.



# Classwork

Fifth + Sixth

English: Instructional Writing. P.E.E. Paragraphs.

Art: Drew and coloured hot air balloons with chalk.  
Valentines art.  
Designed our own masks.

Maths: Money, Circle posters, 3D shape and 2D shape

History: 1916 Easter Rising.

Irish: Comhra,