

GRIFFITH BARRACKS NEWSLETTER

11th April 2019

A Chairde (Friends),

I want to thank everyone for contributing towards a great Spring term at GBMDS. Have a great holiday and see you all on Monday 29th April. At 8.50am. **School finishes tomorrow at 11.50am for infants and 12.00pm for all other classes.** There will be no Kids Club.

Sixth Class Play – ‘A Cloud in Space’

There was an electric atmosphere at Archbishop Byrne hall last Thursday and Friday night for the Premiere of a Cloud in Space. The music, the costumes and the set were all amazing and the crowd were singing along to music from Bowie, John and the Carpenters. Sixth class would like to say a special thanks to:

- Jenny Jackson and Jenny McCrohan - our Directors and Emma who was our Producer.
- Maura, Louise, Fiach, Sarah, Mike, Mairéad, Emma, Debbie, Jackie, Sinéad, Elaine, Ronan, Jean, Gillian, Topher, Hilka, Michelle, Sally, Eunan, Nathalie, Binzer, Mide, Ronan, Elaine, Jackie, Dee (we know we have forgotten somebody)
- All the parents of sixth class who dropped off, collected, donated ladders and lots of other things.
- The Green Council made it a fully recyclable event.
- Raffle ticket sellers

This was a very memorable event and sixth class have learned so many valuable skills like teamwork and bringing a project to fruition from scratch. Our motto as an Educate Together school is “Learning to Live Together” and the sixth class play was this in action with parents and students.

The money raised was €2067 and this will go towards arts projects in the school including:

- Mural and Poetry wall.
- The Stage which we bought earlier this year
- The official Opening

(Written by Eddie and Sixth Class)



Sponsored Walk

Many thanks to all who raised money during our sponsored walk. The amount raised was €1629. This money will go towards ICT equipment and maintenance.

Note from the Fundraising Committee – Favourite 80's Song

Griffith Barracks 80's Nite, The Ringside Club at The National Stadium SCR, Friday May 10th

Would you like to unleash your inner Blondie or Bowie? Your Queen or your Prince??

Is it time for you to share exactly how Kilimanjaro rises above the Serengeti??

Straight to Video are a freshly formed band of Griffith Barracks parents, and we're calling on you to be the singers.

If you'd like to sing a song with us, email Paul (Parent in 1st class Aisling, and 3rd class) at Griffithbarracks80s@gmail.com and we'll work it out!

Round off a great week of celebration for the school with this event. Here are the songs submitted to our poll to get us all thinking. We had over 80 responses - Thanks everyone!! This is our final fundraiser of the year.

Sweet Child of Mine

Wake Me Up Before You Go Go!

Let's Dance!

Just Like Heaven, The Cure

Babooshka, kate bush

The Lovecats by the Cure

Toto Africa

Footloose Kenny Loggins

Stevie Ray Vaughan - Pride and Joy - 1983.

Give it Up KC and The Sunshine Band

Three is the magic number, De La Soul. Or Cyndi Lauper or Atomic by Blondie. And so many many more!

Friday I'm in Love - the Cure

Ain't Nobody Chaka Khan

"Under Pressure" Queen & David Bowie. But for a bit of fab happy fun - "All night long" Lionel Richie

Only You by the Flying Pickets

Simple minds don't you forget about me

Blue Monday - New Order

Come on Eileen

Only You by Yazoo

Mirror in the bathroom by the Beat

Take on me

I'm Gonna Be by Proclaimers

Depeche Mode, just can't get enough

I was working as a waitress in a cocktail bar! (Don't You Want Me) The Human League

Lovecats by The Cure

Total Eclipse of the Heart-Bonnie Tyler

Prince - When Doves Cry

Wishing (If I Had a Photograph of You) - Flock of Seagulls

This was really hard! But the happiest memories are Caravan of Love by the Housemartins, The Smyths, Heaven Knows I'm Miserable was a close 2nd!

Tiffany 'I think we're alone now'

Boys don't cry

The Whole of the Moon

You Spin Me Round (Like a Record)

Don't Go...Hothouse Flowers

Gloria from Flashdance soundtrack

Girls just want to have fun

Safety Dance - Men without hats

Housemartins -happy hour

Desert Moon by Dennis de Yoing

Jump - Van Halen

Need You Tonight by INXS


Blondie 'Picture This'


Rappers Delight by The Sugarhill Gang

Eye of the Tiger - Survivor

Come on Eileen

Watching the wheels go round, John Lennon

Killing Moon, Echo and the  men

Welcome to the Jungle -Guns 'n' Roses 

Blister in the Sun by the Violent Femmes, Ninety nine red balloons by Nena

Love Cats The Cure

Stay by the Blue Nile

We built this city on rock and roll - starship

Out of touch by Hall and Oates

Purple Rain

Sweet child of mine - Guns N' Roses

Clouds Across The Moon - The Rah Band

Soft cell tainted love

Friday I'm in love - The Cure

Inside Out by Diana Ross

The Cure, In-between Days

Don't you forget about me. Simple Minds

Matthew Wilder - Bouncin' Off the Walls (1984); Art of noise - Moments In Love (1985); Public enemy - Night of the Living Baseheads (1988); Klymaxx - Meeting in the Ladies Room (1985)

It's my party - dave Stewart and barbra gaskin

Careless Whisper

Come On Eileen Dexys Midnight Runners

With or without you - U2

Love Action. The Human League.

Orange Juice - I can't help myself

Dance hall days - Wang Chung

Whole of the moon- The Waterboys.

Guns n Roses Nightrain

Morrissey Suedehead

Dub me good to me

Golden Brown The Stranglers

Psycho Killer - Talking Heads

What Difference Does It Make? by The Smiths

Take on me, A-ha

Enola Gaye by OMD

Lovecats by The Cure

Dancing in the dark - Bruce Springsteen

Official Opening

The Official Opening of the School will take place on 8th May. Many thanks to all the members of our school community who expressed an interest in attending. We are looking for volunteers to help us with catering on the day. If you would like to help out just email opening@griffithbarracks.ie

Bake Sale in aid of DSPCA

The Student Dáil are thrilled to announce that the Bake Sale this week raised a whopping €675 for the D.S.P.C.A.! We would like to thank everyone who baked, bought and donated. The cakes were delicious! It was a plastic free event and it generated only one bag of rubbish. We did have a lot of cake left over after the Bake Sale but none of it went to waste - the St Vincent De Paul took it all in for their evening tea on Tuesday.



Students of the Week

Well done to all the Students of the Week



Assembly

This week in Assembly we looked the inspirational story of Cathy Freeman as both an athlete and activist. In the Junior Assembly we read "Fill a bucket" by Katherine Martin.

https://www.easons.com/fill-a-bucket-katherine-martin-9780996099981?gclid=EAAlaIQobChMI6ZKF-Ybl4QIVxp3tCh1TrQSiEAQYAiABEgLGJvD_BwE

Have you filled anyone's bucket today or has someone filled yours?

Lego Collection

A reminder that there are two giant tubs in the lobby for any spare Lego that parents are able to donate to the school. Lego is hugely popular across all the ages at GBMDS. Why not donate your spare Lego rather than sending it to landfill.

This is part of our creative school plan which includes focus on:

- Film Making
- Show casing variety and talent
- Drama

The children, staff and our creative associate Sarah have been come up with our creative Schools plan which will create really exciting arts opportunities for all the children in the school



From the Sports Desk

A huge hats off to our Senior Camogie Team for their fantastic performance against Lios na nÓg in a very summery and leafy Dartry Park. Our Hurlers are also in action today.

School Photos

School photos will now take place on Tuesday 30th April, the first Tuesday after the holidays. This year, Junior Infants will have individual photos taken and all classes will have a class photo. There will be an opportunity for siblings of Junior Infants to have a family photo, if they wish. If any other student would like their photo taken, please fill in the online form below and we will arrange for it to be done. There is no obligation to buy any photos.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=GHR3J8BLrk2tb7BLMEihEAreFE7IXPBBpRQdMNYOfpxUM08zTUQ5NEU0TFIEMjhJTEw0UIZLWlo2Uy4u>

Reminder - Language Curriculum School Closure

School will be closed for all children on Friday 3rd May for a Language Curriculum training day, which is the first Friday after the holidays. The primary language curriculum is being introduced in English and Gaeilge (Junior Infants to Second Class) across the country and every school will have had a similar closure this year. Next week the staff have a specialist advisor in Gaeilge (Irish) coming out to the school to support us in the implementation and teaching of Gaeilge in the school. For more information on the primary language curriculum just follow the link below:

<https://www.curriculumonline.ie/Primary/Curriculum-Areas/Language-New-Junior-infants-2nd-class>



Figure 1 Great ethics wall in Rang 4



Figure 2 When I grow up? in Rang 1 Anne Marie



Figure 3 1st Class graduated from Fun Friends Resilience Programme this week

Beir Bua,

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