

## Newsletter January 30<sup>th</sup> 2024

## Dates to Remember

5<sup>th</sup> February – Bank Holiday school closed 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> February – Midterm break – school closed

15<sup>th</sup> March – Staff meeting – school closing at 12pm.



February 1 traditionally marks the beginning of Spring in Ireland. St Brigid's day traditionally sees people make Saint Brigid's crosses and is now Ireland's newest public holiday (5<sup>th</sup> Feb).

The cross is usually put up in homes above windows or doorways and is believed to keep harm away from the household. St. Brigid is said to have invented the cross herself while attending a sickbed and picking up rushes from the floor to craft them into a sacred cross. Taking up the tradition in its many forms focuses the mind in the meditation of craft, and connects our winter minds to the great wheel that turns and is slowly bringing us into the spring of renewal. This year each class will learn about St Brigid and some classes will have the opportunity to make St Brigid's crosses in class.





## **Creative Cluster Arts Program**

We have an exciting few months ahead preparing for our Creative Cluster exhibition that will be taking place in Calasanctius college (date to be advised soon).

In keeping with our strong school tradition of upcycling materials, we have some projects planned that require us to collect some materials.

If possible, could you please bring in the following materials to school:

Plastic bottle cap lids Large plastic lids from chocolate boxes Old jewellery with bead Old tiles & ceramic products

Thanks for your continued support & we look forward to working with the children with these exciting projects.

The Creative Cluster Team

## **First Confession**



The date for this year's Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place on the 18<sup>th</sup> April at 11 30am

WellBeing Week -

We hope your son is enjoying Well Being week. Please look at our website and facebook page for any updates on activities.



Sports Update

Handball – Well done to both teams pictured below. Both teams played superbly today. Only one team unfortunately could get through to the county final. Team 1 below will continue onto the county final.

Well done to boys and their coaches.

