

# Scoil an Spioraid Naoimh – Senior Primary



## Principal's Message

We had hoped to have made the move into our wonderful new school by now, but some snagging elements are still being addressed. As the health and safety of our children and staff is paramount, we will all just have to be patient for a few more weeks before our exciting move gets underway. We appreciate the many lovely comments we have received from parents and members of the local community with regard to how impressive



the new school looks. It will not be long now - we hope! In the meantime, we have a busy programme of teaching and learning, sports and fitness activities, school tours, a sports day and lots of field trips planned for our children. A **Summer Programme – Building Confidence and Connections** is planned for the first two weeks in July, and details have been emailed to parents of children who meet the criteria. Further details are available on our school website. The School Leadership Team and Teachers are engaging in sustained support from **OIDE** - which supports innovative professional learning opportunities for teachers and school leaders. We are very proud to have been invited by OIDE and NEPS, to showcase, in a video, the breadth of well-being initiatives which are embedded in our school. Mrs Jeanne Carter and her 4<sup>th</sup> class children represent these well-being initiatives wonderfully in the video. When the final edit is available, we will share it with parents. Another key element of well-being in our school is the promotion of a **Healthy lunch policy**. The school will be participating in Food Dudes training on the 8<sup>th</sup> of May and in **Food Dudes Week 20<sup>th</sup> May - 24<sup>th</sup> May**. Our pupils will learn about the importance of nutrition, making good choices and prioritising their own well-being. Children will have an opportunity to try a variety of fruit and vegetables throughout the week.

*Bláithin Maguire, Principal*

**Best of luck to Iosaef di Porzia 6<sup>th</sup> class pupil** who is representing our school in the **Meath Final** of the prestigious **Spelling Bee Competition** on 1<sup>st</sup> May. He is being well mentored by Teachers Helen Doak and Marie Darcy. **The very best of luck Iosaef!**



**Well done to our fabulous Credit Union Quiz finalists!** There has been great excitement in recent months as the **SSN Credit Union Quiz team** progressed through the competition. Having **won the local Drogheda chapter heat**, the team, **Aisling Burke, Iosaef Di Porzio, Darragh Doyle and Eoin Murphy-Hatch** went on to win the regional heat, **proudly bringing home the Tommy Weir trophy to East Meath**. They then went on to compete in the **All-Ireland Final in the RDS**, where they performed admirably against stiff competition. We are immensely proud of

our team and we cannot wait to display all of their trophies in our new school. **Well done!**

**Cycle Safety** – All 3<sup>rd</sup> classes are participating in Cycle Safety training at present. It has never been more important for children to be taught the road safety rules linked with cycling. A vital skill for the children to have while cycling on roads and footpaths. **We encourage parents to reinforce this training at home.**



**Our boys Gaelic team had a great win over Bellewstown on 25<sup>th</sup> April, to make it 3 from 3 in the Corn Cois Farraige!. A great performance in which all 24 of our players got an opportunity to play. Congratulations Boys!!**

5<sup>th</sup> Classes are currently enjoying their programme of A&S Fitness in the Parochial Hall.

