# Put a Spring in your step with HSCL Scoil Mhuire!

Everything worthwhile starts with a belief in life.

Patrick Kavanagh

The Parents' Room is a room designed for the parents of Scoil Mhuire children. Unfortunately, this year we have been operating without it as building is currently going on. However, come September we will have a brand new facility which will be very exciting indeed.

The home school liaison teachers, Jenny and Maria work with parents to organize courses and classes that interest parents. They are also available to support parents in any way they can, listening and giving a helping hand when needed.

We have been lucky enough to use the house run by the Kildare Down Syndrome branch for classes this year and will be using the Kildare Youth Theatre room above Johnsons down town. We are very grateful for their support as we continue with classes throughout the year.

Please read on to see what has been happening this term and what is planned for next term.

#### Easter Flower Arranging Class

Flower arranging is always a really popular class in the Parents' Room. Frances Doyle was back to share her skill with us and 13 parents made beautiful floral displays which will be gorgeous centrepieces for Easter.



#### Art Classes for All!

Lisa Nagle was back with us before Christmas with a great Christmas craft to do with all the family. She will be back again after Easter with

more ideas so please watch out for the text and contact either Jenny or Maria to book your place. It's always a popular class.

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'Parents are teachers, guides, leaders, protectors and providers for their children.'

Iyanla Vanzant

What does the Parent's Room mean to you?

We are a confidential service for parents.

We are here to listen and offer support in any way that we can.

#### Aqua-Aerobics

Aqua-Aerobics has run for the last term in the Gables. It was great to see so many involved. Having discussed it with the parents it is definitely a class we will run again next year in the summer term.

## Walking Club

Will begin after Easter on a Friday morning. We will send a text. We look forward to many of you joining us to get healthy for summer.

## St Bridget's Day Crosses

Martine Dunne joined us at the beginning of February to make St. Bridget's Crosses. We had over 15 parents join us to learn how to make the crosses. It was an enjoyable morning!

# Grandparents' Day

Grandparents' Day was a great success this year. It was lovely to see so many of you join us! Thank you for coming in. The children really loved having so many of you there.



#### Maths 4 Fun

Maths 4 Fun will be starting in Junior Infant classes after Easter. If you are interested in helping out please contact Maria



# <u>Yarnbombing</u>

Get those needles out!! It's yarnbombing time again. This year we will be taking up the theme of 'Sanctuary Animals'. The entire park will be covered in a variety of animals and we will add to that! After Easter we will be in the room over Johnson's pub every Monday morning at 9:30am. Please join us for a cuppa and some knitting and crochet. Anyone wanting to walk down, we will leave from the school bus carpark at 9:05am. All patterns will be available above Johnson's on a

Monday morning. If that's a little scary—knitting squares or rectangles the width needs to be the length of a ruler (30cm) and you can knit it as long as you want. This will be for a special animal that we will sow together in May in preparation for the yarnbombing itself in June. We will also yarnbomb in the school as we did last year—so if you want to get involved, knit away!! You can call into Jenny or Maria in school to get more details or we shall see you on Monday mornings.

