LUCAN ETNS

November 28th 2025

Welcome

Our value for the remainder of the Term is Positivity! As the days are drawing in earlier it is important to stay positive, the Winter Solstice is only three weeks away! Muireann's class got our week off to the best possible start as they delivered a wonderful assembly on Positivity. The children spoke with such confidence and performed a rousing rendition of 'Eye of the Tiger'!

At the start of the year our secretaries and caretaker engaged in industrial action to campaign for fair terms and conditions of employment. Our secretaries and caretaker are invaluable to our school and without them many schools simply cannot function, our support for them is unanimous. Since the cessation of industrial action there has been a lack of meaningful discussion or a genuine commitment to resolve the situation and deliver fairness for our colleagues.

I would encourage all our families to continue to raise this issue with local representatives, without meaningful engagement on all sides there is a very real possibility of industrial action resuming in the new year.

Finally, as many of you are aware I will be stepping down as Principal at the end of January. I have loved the opportunity to lead our wonderful school and it has brought me so much joy. I would like to thank the children for bringing so much colour and kindness into our school every day. I would like to thank our amazing staff who demonstrate such care and commitment and create a wonderful learning environment. Our school is in a great position with a wonderful management team already in place alongside an active, engaged and supportive parent community. It has been a privilege to lead Lucan ETNS and be part of a great school community.

Winter Assembly

Our end of Term Winter Assembly will place on Thursday the 18th of December @9 & II. The theme of our assemblies will be light and positivity and the children will perform alongside their 'buddy' class.

Assembly I @9

Rachel Senior Infants & Karen 4th Class Fiona Senior Infants & Sarah Q 4th Class Sarah O' 2nd Class & Sarah B 6th Class Amanda 2nd Class & Katie 6th Class Assembly 2 @II

Sarah Mc Junior Infants & Carla 3rd Class
Aishling Junior Infants & Colum 3rd Class
Tom Ist Class & Ruth/Catríona 5th
Emma Ist Class & Muireann 5th Class

Dates for your Diary

- Ist December Rang Eostre/Ruth & Catriona's class assembly @9:15
- 18th December Winter Assemblies @9 & II
- 19th December Winter Break (half-day)
- 5th January 26 School reopens for Term 2
- 21st January ½ in, ½ out Staff Meeting school finishes @13:30



Table Cricket

Our students in Cosáin took on St. Mary's BNS, Lucan a few weeks ago in the Leinster Table Cricket Competition. Lucan ETNS claimed the win and will progress to the next round, where they'll meet Libermann Spiritan School, Templeogue. Well

done to all the boys involved and best of look in your semi-final!

Science Week in Rang Eostre

Ruth and Catriona's Rang Eostre enjoyed working scientifically last week. They explored density with dancing raisins and constructing lava lamps. Capillary action was demonstrated with colourful carnations and colour mixing. The UN sustainable development goal number 6 aims to achieve clean water and sanitation for all. We constructed our own water filter. Students then tested out their own hypothesis at home with some more experiments. Well done fifth class Scientists!





Incredible Edibles

Congratulations to our students from Sarah's 2nd Class last year who were recognised as a Gold Incredible Edibles School for all their hard work, creativity and dedication throughout the programme last year. To celebrate the achievement the students received a very special tin of Irish native wildflower seeds. Well done to all involved!



Basketball League Kick-Off! by Japjeet, Aadya & Kasper

This term marked an exciting milestone for our school – our first ever school league basketball matches! Both our boys' and girls' teams travelled to Scoil Áine Naofa and then to Adamstown ETNS to compete. Both teams represented our school with pride, showing excellent team spirit, sportsmanship, and support for one another throughout the day. It was wonderful to see how well they worked together on and off the court. A huge thank you to the parents who kindly volunteered to give lifts – your help made the day possible and is always greatly appreciated.

The girls played their match on the 16th of November against Adamstown. They had a stunning win with the score finishing 30:8. It was an away game on a small court but they still pulled it off. They worked very hard passing, attacking and defending really well. They played well throughout the match.

Congrats to the boys basketball team last week as they won with an astonishing score of 40:16! We are very proud and impressed with how they played. The teamwork was impeccable and the game ran smoothly with Daksh carrying the score. We also saw excellent passing and scores. We would like the boys to keep up the good work and have fun!

Badminton Tournament - 6th Class by John & Jordan

On the 27th of November Sarah's 6th Class (Rang Cúchulainn) played a class badminton tournament. The tournament went very well with everyone trying their best right to the very end. Everyone played fair and shook racquets after each match. It was very exciting but after the two semi-finals two people came out on top, Japjeet & Amy. The final was up to fifteen points and was VERY tight. You had to win by two clear points and in the end Japjeet won with the score 17-15. Ist place won a gold shuttlecock and 2nd place won a silver shuttlecock.











Science Week

There was so much happening across the school to celebrate Science Week recently. The children had opportunities to carry out all kinds of experiments with their 'buddy class'. Thanks to Muireann for putting together a great week!

