WHAT HAS HAPPENED THIS TERM AT TCHP?

- Whole school coffee morning
- Parent Evening on CyberSafeKids
- Department of Education Early Years/ POBAL inspections
- Weekly visits to The Orchard Care Centre
- ❖ AMI 6-12 Orientation Course
- Parent Teacher meetings
- Outings to Hugh Lane Gallery, The National Gallery, Awesome Walls
- Travel Flag and the Big Travel Challenge
- Association of Independent Junior School (AIJS) Chess Competition
- AIJS Music Festival
- AIJS Verse speaking competition
- ❖ Snow!!

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Dear Parents

We have had another wonderfully inspiring term here at TCHP. The children continue to impress us daily with their enthusiasm, creativity and growth.

We are looking forward to our Travel Action Day on Friday, 26th April.

Since this edition is dedicated to Art make sure you enjoy sharing those creative moments together.

Have a wonderful Easter break

Micaela Kuh, Principal

We look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Tuesday**, **9**th **April**

Happy Easter all!

NEXT TERM'S DATES

- Monday, 8th April Staff Inservice day
- Tuesday, 9th April School resumes
- Friday, 26th April Travel Action Day and Coffee morning hosted by Front Room
- Monday, 6th May May Bank Holiday
- Wednesday 29th/Thursday 30th May 9-12 Class trip to Carlingford Adventure Centre
- Monday, 3rd June June Bank Holiday
- Friday, 7th June Senior Class Summer concert and Graduation
- Friday, 7th June whole school Sports Day
- Tuesday, 11th June Picnic day for Ms Pigot/Bascug's Class and Ms Hale/Gleeson's Class
- Monday, June 10th 6-9 Class trip to Clara Lara
- Saturday, 25th May AMI Botany Workshop
- Wednesday, 12th June School finishes at 12.30pm for non-ECCE children
- Thursday, 13th June Friday, 28th June (inclusive)
 - Junior Class ECCE year continues
 - Junior Class Summer Programme
 - Senior Class Summer Camp
- Sunday, 19th June Alumni Tea Party
- Friday, 30th June School closes



GREEN SCHOOL TRAVEL FLAG

Over the last few years TCHP has qualified as a Green School and we now have a Green Flag, Litter and Waste Flag and a Water Flag. At the moment we are working on a TRAVEL themed flag. This has involved the children in many travel awareness projects and activities:

- Walk to School Week
- A nature walk
- Car-pooling
- Going by bus for school outings
- Writing raps and songs about travel awareness
- Writing to TD's and local representatives about safety for children on the road
- Designing posters
- Writing to a school in Mexico to ask about car use/ownership
- Designing travel themed Maths problems
- Organising hi-vis vests for the whole school for outings
- Smile for a Mile walk around the school
- Presenting to the An Taisce Green Schools representative
- A bicycle survey
- Taking part in the Big Travel Challenge....

...and on Friday, 26th April we will have a **TRAVEL ACTION DAY** for the whole school with lots of travel and environment awareness games and activities!!!

MONTESSORI AND ART

The Montessori approach to art is deeply rooted in Maria Montessori's philosophy of education, emphasizing creativity, independence, and self- expression. Montessori art encourages children to explore and experiment freely with various materials and forms.

Central to the Montessori art experience is the belief in providing children with a prepared environment rich in artistic opportunities. This environment typically includes a wide range of art supplies such as paints, clay, drawing materials, and natural elements like shells and stones. Children are encouraged to choose their own materials and projects based on their interests and developmental stages.

In Montessori classrooms, art activities are integrated into the curriculum and are seen



MONTESSORI AND ART ...cont...

as essential components of holistic learning. Through art, children develop fine motor skills, hand-eye coordination, and sensory awareness. Moreover, art fosters self-confidence and self-expression as children gain mastery over different mediums and techniques.

The Montessori approach also values the process of creating art over the final product. Teachers focus on nurturing children's intrinsic. This approach fosters a love for art and a lifelong appreciation for creativity and self-expression.

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