

WHAT HAS HAPPENED THIS TERM AT TCHP?

- ❖ Biodiversity Action Day/Bake Sale/Sports Day on 24th April
- ❖ Bake Sale raised €650 for NSPCA
- ❖ We were granted the An Taisce Green Schools Biodiversity Flag
- ❖ Outings to the Lead Mines, Dalkey Castle, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Croke Park
- ❖ Ms Kuh and Ms Maria attended the AMI 30th International Congress in Merida, Mexico – presentation of highlights on Zoom 10th June 8pm
- ❖ Visit from Professor Mary Bourke TCD talk on how to prevent flooding
- ❖ AIJS Chess Competition
- ❖ AIJS Debating Competition
- ❖ AIJS Art Competition
- ❖ AIJS Music Festival
- ❖ First Holy Communion
- ❖ Senior Class Summer Concert
- ❖ 6th Class graduation
- ❖ Family Recipe Feast
- ❖ Parent organized visit to Powerscourt Waterfall
- ❖ 6-9 Class visit to Clara Lara
- ❖ 9-12 Class overnight visit to Carlingford Adventure Centre
- ❖ Ongoing visits to The Orchard Day Centre (Alzheimer's Society)
- ❖ Summer Camp

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Dear Parents

This edition is dedicated to our graduates. It was heartwarming to hear their meaningful and heartfelt speeches and for us all to have been on the sidelines of their growth and development over the years.

We wish Ms O'Duffy and Ms Morrissey the very best with their retirement. We will miss them and thank them for everything they have shared over the years.

We also wish Ms Maria a wonderful maternity leave.

Have a wonderful summer!

Micaela Kuh, Principal

We look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Monday, 31st August**

Happy Summer all!

NEXT YEAR'S DATES

- ❖ **Monday, 31 August** School reopens
- ❖ **26 – 30 October** Half term
- ❖ **Tuesday, 22 December** School closes at 12 noon for Christmas holidays
- ❖ **Wednesday, 6 January** School reopens
- ❖ **Monday, 1 February** St Brigid's Day Bank Holiday
- ❖ **15 – 19 February** Half term
- ❖ **Wednesday, 17 March** St Patrick's Day Bank Holiday
- ❖ **Friday, 19 March** School closes at 3pm for Easter holidays
- ❖ **Monday, 5 April** Staff Inservice Day – pupil free day
- ❖ **Tuesday, 6th April** School reopens
- ❖ **Monday, 3 May** May Bank Holiday
- ❖ **May date to be confirmed** TCHP 75th Gala Celebration
- ❖ **Monday, 7 June** June Bank Holiday
- ❖ **Monday, 14 June** School closes at 12:30pm for non ECCE Junior Class Children and the 6-9 and 9-12 Classes for the summer holidays
- ❖ **Wednesday, 30 June** ECCE pupils finish



REACHING OUT Following their interests over the years the Senior Classes have reached out and written to politicians, artists, writers, children in other Montessori schools and even the President of Ireland! Stephen Hawkins also received a letter and sent a response! This year one of the boys in the 9-12 struck up a correspondence with Max Pross, the writer of The Simpsons:

'Thanks for these survey results — it's great to see that The Simpsons is still being watched by young people after 37 years on the air! I will certainly tell the people I know at Disenchantment that they still have fans in your school, too! Be well, Max'

Some members of the class wrote to illustrator, Aidan McDermot, they sent some of their own art and flipbooks to him and were lucky to get very personalised responses:



2026 GRADUATES

This year we had 8 children graduate from TCHP – we wish them the best of luck in their new schools. We were very moved by their wonderful graduation speeches - here are some excerpts:

"I would like to thank all my teachers for helping me throughout the year....I would also like to thank my friends for being here..."



*Thank you
Windows
6-9
9-12
Carlingford
Journers
debate
Thank u*

"I have learnt many things and done many projects and I will talk you through some of them. One of my projects was on shipbuilding – it was a Titanic success! I learnt a lot about icebergs."

"The only reason I am who I am today is because of all the brilliant guidance from all the teachers...I was able to thrive in the school because of the positive approach to learning the school provided to me...I never felt forced into doing something but rather encouraged to learn it at my own pace.....All of these moments and feelings will stay with me forever. So I am sad to go but EXCITED to explore new opportunities..."

"I started the Children's House Primary when I was four years old, nearly turning five. I started off in Alison's class...I have enjoyed doing singing with Ms Morrissey, debating with Mr Mansfield and doing Drama after school, I also loved doing the Christmas Play and the Halloween concert...thank you for having me..."



"On my first day I quickly realised it was a very different to my old school and that you could choose what you wanted to do or learn. That sense of freedom, was amazing. I spent a lot of time discovering the materials, drawing, doing Maths, spelling and reading. I also liked having a choice about when we could snack which I really liked. I am grateful for the extra feeling of freedom that I have had here. We are allowed to do more things by ourselves, especially in 6th Class. Things like writing the Christmas Play or being allowed to walk to the shops. I love how you can choose to do projects on anything you are interested in. Recently I organised a trip to Dalkey Castle to follow up on my project on knights and castles. Thank you for trusting us to do these things..."



"I will miss this school very much and I am looking forward to coming back to watch the Christmas Play..."



"Thank you, I enjoyed my time in the school..."



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"Looking back, I really enjoyed my first trip to Carlingford Adventure Centre. The trip was totally unforgettable because it was my first time going there with the whole class. I also loved visiting the DSPCA last year, where we got to see the animals and learn how to take care of them. And another highlight was doing the fundraisers for different charities. They were so exciting and I loved raising money for people who need help..."

