



SETNS Newsletter
11th February 2022



On your marks, get set, go!

As the days get brighter, we're excited to welcome the Running Club back for 2022! Our children now have a 200m measured track to walk, stroll, jog, sprint, chat and laugh their way around! Watch this space for more details!!



This week we celebrated Safer Internet Day 2022. We are noticing more and more children talking and referring to the amount of time they spend online whether it is gaming or on social media. We are asking parents to be vigilant in monitoring their children's access to online gaming and social media. You Tube channels and games such as *Fortnite* have age limits which are outside of the primary school age. Your cooperation in this regard is much appreciated.

THE GREEN TEAM

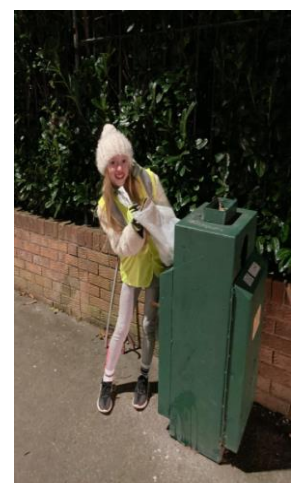
During the last week of term, we will have a small electrical (household) goods recycling point at the school for one day on Thursday 17th February.

We'll send out a reminder again a few days beforehand.

Peter and the Green Team.

PICKER PALS

Our fantastic Picker Pals were out in force over the last number of weeks. Well done to this young lady who manages to clean up her local area with such a gorgeous smile.



MID-TERM BREAK

As this is the last newsletter before our Mid-Term Break (21st-25th February), we would like to wish all children, parents/guardians and families a restful week off. Enjoy the brighter days and we look forward to welcoming the children back on 28th February 2022.

ASSESSMENT

We are beginning our Standardised Testing after mid-term. This is in line with our Assessment Policy.

On Wednesday 2nd March:

❖ **Senior Infants will be administered the MIST (Middle Infant Screening Test)**

❖ 1st and 4th Classes will be administered the NNRIT (New Non Reading Intelligence Test)

❖ **2nd and 5th Classes will be administered the Drumcondra Spelling Test.**

As with all standardised assessments, we advise against over-emphasising them with the children. This can create unnecessary anxiety. These assessments are only a snapshot of any child's ability and are used as a guide to help us support your child's education.

"Sometimes the most brilliant and intelligent minds do not shine in standardised tests because they do not have standardised minds"

Diane Ravitch