



Community Newsletter – Week 6, Term 1, 2020

Dear WCSS Community,

What an exciting week we have to look forward to – from the chance to meet with Rosemary Rowntree in the Hub on Wednesday, our weekly Sausage Sizzle the same day, and our much-anticipated annual event of the Celtic Dance, it is sure to be a wonderful week.

The Steiner curriculum calls for the study of Celtic/Irish tales in Class 2 as an appropriate bridge between the fantastical Fairy Tales told in Class 1 and the study of more formal aspects of our world (time, measurement, currency and so on) in Class 3. Children at this age still experience the world as “magical” but are also coming more in touch with the everyday realities of the natural world. Irish Tales provide a unique blend between the magical and the everyday, making them perfect for the Class 2 child.

Having an event such as the Celtic Dance to work towards also provides many opportunities for Class 2 to work on their skills of movement, memorisation and teamwork. Whilst they have shared their classroom learning at assemblies in Class 1, the Celtic Dance is a performance on a grander scale. Perseverance and commitment are called upon as the children rehearse frequently, putting finishing touches on movement sequences, honing spatial awareness as they develop mindfulness of where their partner/group is, and coordinating gestures in time with the music. Our Upper School Orchestra also has important duties as they work to prepare the accompanying music for the dance.

Some reminders for Thursday:

- Tickets are \$10 from Golden Threads (or \$12 on the night). Ticket booths will be stationed at both entrances to the school.
- The Celtic Dance is a cash only event, so please bring sufficient funds to ensure you have a wonderful evening – don't forget to include a little extra for raffle tickets!
- The Celtic Dance is a sustainable event – please bring your own cups, bowls, plates and cutlery. A wash station will be provided.
- Any cakes/sweet treats being baked are to be dropped off in the staffroom during school hours on Thursday.
- Parents/carers are responsible for the care of their children at all times.

We are looking forward to a wonderful celebration together. Until then, Sláinte chugat! (Good health to you).

With warmth,

Thomasina Henriquez

School Administrator (Acting)

Upcoming Dates

Wednesday, March 11: Q and A with Rosemary Rowntree in the Hub – 8.40am; Sausage Sizzle for Class 1 – Class 6 (\$4.00 each)

Thursday, March 12: Celtic Dance (5.30 – 8pm)

Friday, March 13: Pupil-free Day

Sunday, March 15: WCSS Stall at Carine Fair (10am – 4pm)

In the Light of a Child – Michael Hedley Burton

In striving forth toward the goal, I feel new firmness in my soul.

The I-of-God in knowing sight fills all my will with gleaming light.

And in these hidden depths, this radiant glow,

By bringing light to darkness, makes the good fruit grow.