

Dear parents, guardians and children,

Well! What a great first term we have had here at Mary Queen of Angels 1! From seeing old friends to adapting to new routines, it is safe to say that everyone has settled back into school life really well. I would like to say a special thank you to you, parents and guardians, for your co-operation and efforts in ensuring the safety of everyone in our school community. I would also like to take this opportunity to remind you to continue your efforts in following public health advice and guidelines over the next number of weeks. I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable Halloween break.

Maurice Sweeney.

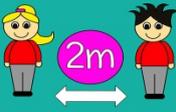
  
 Our new school website  
[www.maryqueenofangels1.ie](http://www.maryqueenofangels1.ie) is  
 up and running. Be sure to keep  
 an eye out for any updates and  
 uploads from your child's  
 teacher.



Well-being has always been a priority here in Mary Queen of Angels 1. This year, more than ever, children's happiness, safety and sense of belonging is of utmost importance to us. The boys have been taking part in mindful activities, such as, meditation, yoga, circle time, nature walks and extra P.E. . These well-being activities help reduce stress and anxiety in children while promoting emotional and social learning and development.

## Social Distancing


 Wash your hands with soap and water for 20 seconds


 Social distance by keeping 2 metres apart at all times


 Cough and sneeze into your elbow and NOT your hands.


 Do not touch your face, including your eyes and nose and mouth.



### *First Holy Communion*

We would like to extend our warmest wishes to the Communion class who were due to make their First Holy Communion on October 17th. Luckily, the boys' First Penance could go ahead on October 14<sup>th</sup>. However, it was such a pity to have to postpone their Holy Communion due to restrictions. The boys marked their special day in school with a short prayer service and a treat from McDonalds.



Well done to Junior Infants who were the best attenders for term 1! Many thanks to all parents for your continued support and communication. A gentle reminder to text Nessa on 0860308574 if your child is absent.



### *Halloween*

A spooky good time was had by us all this week. We read lots of funny Halloween books and sang lots of not so spooky Halloween songs. We played outside just a little this week as the clouds decided to rain on us most days. Our artists made pumpkins, ghosts, skeletons and zombies. Our classes have also been very busy putting together a Halloween performance which will be uploaded to the school website over the midterm break. Be sure to check it out!

  
**Wishing you a safe  
and happy Halloween**  
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