

# St. Oliver's Special School Newsletter June, 2015

## APRIL

This April, two children at the school Chijindu Onwu and Kyria O'Toole made their First Confession and First Holy Communion this April. The whole school attended and sang the songs we had been practicing for the big day. It was a really special day. We would like to thank the families of Chijindu and Kyria for sharing this special day with us.

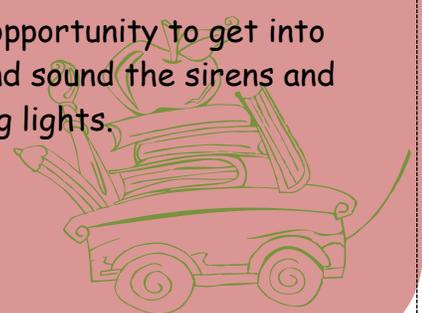
## MAY

Class 1 and 2 have been attending Stretch and Grow classes at school every Monday. Stretch and Grow is an exercise class which has some dancing, stretching and most of all lots of fun involved.

Class 3 have been going to Go Bananas each week. Go Bananas is an Activity Centre based in Tuam. The children really look forward to going each week.

Class 4 have continued to go swimming each Friday.

Two members of the Tuam Fire Service, Paul and Ger, visited the school, and showed each class their equipment: hose, helmets, coats, and torches. The children had the opportunity to get into the Fire Truck, and sound the sirens and put on the flashing lights.



Dear Families,

Summer is upon us again! We have had a very busy year at St. Oliver's Special School, and are all looking forward to the Summer Holidays.

We look forward to welcoming four new children who will be starting school in St. Oliver's in September. We also look forward to welcoming a new teacher and a new Special Needs Assistant.

Dawn, our secretary, has gone on Maternity Leave, and we will have a new secretary in September. Her name is Mary. We wish Dawn the very best!

Our next Newsletter will be next December! Until then, you can keep up to date on all our news on our website [www.stoliversschool.ie](http://www.stoliversschool.ie). We hope you enjoy reading about our school news from this term.

## JUNE

On Tuesday June 16<sup>th</sup>, the whole school went on the annual School Tour. This year we visited Slieve Aughty Centre outside Loughrea. One group went for a magical walk in the "Enchanted Forest", where they saw lots of fairy houses. The children sprinkled some fairy dust also ☺. The second group went horse-riding. They really enjoyed this.

After lunch, everyone to meet and groom some of the horses, and there were some Arts and Crafts activities for one of the groups. Everyone was very tired by the time we returned to school!

## JULY

The school is running the July Programme from June 30<sup>th</sup> to July 10<sup>th</sup>, inclusive. There will be lots of outings and fun activities taking place. Class 2 will be going on an outing to the Land of the Giants in Claremorris.

## NEXT SCHOOL YEAR

We will be returning to school on Monday August 31<sup>st</sup>. We also are delighted to announce that a new class will be opening on August 31<sup>st</sup>! This will be an Early Intervention class for children with Autism between the ages of 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 6.



## PARENTS ASSOCIATION

The Parent's Association have been meeting regularly since they established their group. They continue to work hard on behalf of the families and children of our school.

## THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS

Once again thank you to all our volunteers. We are so grateful to you for all your help.

## THANK YOU

On behalf of everyone at our school, thank you all for all your support during the year. From all the children and staff at St. Oliver's, we hope that you have a safe and enjoyable summer.

*Enjoy your Summer  
Holidays!*

