## GRANDPARENTS' DAY AND FEAST OF ST BRIGID IN O'CONNELL SECONDARY SCHOOL, DUBLIN 1 ON WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2023

O'Connell Secondary School held its first Grandparents Day on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023, which coincided with the Feast of St Brigid. First and Second Year students were asked to invite grandparents or other adults who have played a significant role in their lives, to come to an event in the School to mark both celebrations.

After a welcome from the Principal, a prayer to St Brigid was offered and then refreshments were served. In preparation for the event, the Art teacher showed a group of First Year pupils how to make St Brigid's crosses using pipe cleaners. On the day, these students helped the guests to make the Crosses.

A Fifth Year pupil read out a letter to his grandmother in El Salvador, and then another Fifth Year pupil read a short prayer:

We give thanks for the guidance and wisdom of the elderly and the energy and enthusiasm of young people. May they experience the respect and admiration they deserve. **Lord hear us.** 

Then the pupils demonstrated their skills in the P-TECH (Pathways in Technology) subject.

The event concluded with a prayer for Grandparents, after which each guest was presented with a bulb/seedling from the School's garden that they could take home and plant in a garden, window box etc.



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Thank you to everyone for a wonderful parent & grandparent day yesterday. A day dedicated to acknowledging and celebrating the important contribution made by grandparents to the well-being of our school. @NEICWEP @ERSTIRELAND @GardinerStreet @DrumcondraNS @DrumcondraES



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Thanks to Mr Gibney for orchestrating the St Brigids day celebration today for parents and grandparents. Mr Flood and Ms Duffy Reid get a huge thanks too for all the help and direction throughout the day.

Wonder what's in store for St Valentines day???? 🤫





## Parent & Grandparent Day 2023

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## INVITATION

## TO GRANDPARENTS OF FIRST YEAR AND SECOND YEAR STUDENTS TO CELEBRATE GRANDPARENTS' DAY IN O'CONNELL SECONDARY SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2023 AT 10.45AM

O'Connell Secondary School invites the Grandparents or those who have played a significant role in the lives of our First Year and Second Year students, to come and celebrate the Feast Day of St. Brigid and Grandparents' Day with us in O'Connell Secondary School on Wednesday February 1<sup>st</sup> at 10.45a.m.

This is an opportunity for Grandparents and others to visit the School and to take part in activities; and for the School to celebrate their role in the lives of our students.

Refreshments will be provided.

For catering purposes, we will need to know in advance the numbers who will attend. Please RSVP your attendance to Mr. Desmond Gibney (School Chaplain) no later than Wednesday January 25<sup>th</sup> by telephoning 01 8748307 (Extension 4) and leave a message.



